

## Crosspointe Tennis Committee Minutes (Draft 06/02/22)

**Date:** May 23, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

**In Attendance:** Kevin Garrahan (Chair), Tom Bak, Jim Curry, Sally Garrahan

**Absent:** Fernando Pasquel

(Note: The BOT primary contact for the Tennis Committee, Larry Rice, is no longer a Trustee.)

### **Agenda Items:**

1. **Review and approval of prior minutes:** Minutes from the Tennis Committee meeting held on April 25, 2022, were reviewed, and unanimously approved.
2. **Resident input:** None requested.
3. **Adult tennis social.** A tennis social for adult Crosspointe tennis players and associate members was held on Sunday May 22 from 2-4 pm at the Glen Eagles courts. Despite hot temperatures and the threat of thunderstorms, there was a very good turnout of 17 players and all four courts were used. The Tennis Committee provided tennis balls, water, and light snacks. The objectives of the social were to have fun and help Crosspointe tennis players meet other tennis playing members of the community who might be at a comparable level for future play. Play at the social consisted mostly of doubles with different partners and opponents. A One Point Tournament was also held which proved to be a lot of fun for everyone. Due to the success of the social, the tennis committee will try to host additional socials – perhaps in July and September.
4. **Tennis lessons for juniors (kids).** There has been a lot of excitement and interest in the new tennis camps for Crosspointe junior tennis players and associate members. On May 20, an email blast was sent out to the Crosspointe community announcing the new program. The announcement stated:

*The Crosspointe Tennis Committee is pleased to announce that Crosspointe residents and associate members can now register their children for week-long tennis camps this summer in Crosspointe.*

*Weekly camp sessions will begin on Monday June 13 and run for six weeks. You may sign your children up for one week, 3 weeks, or all 6 weeks. The classes, organized by ages, will be held weekday mornings at the Oak Chase courts which are right next to the Oak Chase pool. Classes are scheduled to avoid major conflicts with the swim team practice schedule.*

*The tennis camp will be taught by Mitchell Frank Tennis. Mitchell Frank played on the ATP professional tour, captained the University of Virginia tennis team when it won three NCAA division 1 national titles, and was a hitting partner for Roger Federer. Mitchell trains his instructors to make tennis fun while students learn important fundamentals in small classes.*

*Our head instructor will be Branddon Hung. Branddon played number 1 and 2 singles at Robinson High School and was a highly ranked junior tournament player in the Mid-Atlantic*

*region. This will be Branddon's third season coaching for Mitchell Frank Tennis. Branddon has also coached tennis at the Georgetown Nike camp where he worked with juniors ages 4-18. Branddon looks forward to helping young players learn the skills necessary to develop and improve their games while nurturing a love for the sport.*

*For more details and information about the classes including schedules, prices, FAQs, how to register/pay, please visit their website at: <https://www.mitchellfranktennis.com/crosspointe-summer-juniors>*

***We expect that classes will fill up very fast, so please register right away to ensure a spot for your child. Because we expect the classes to fill up, they are limited to only Crosspointe residents and associate members.***

*We look forward to an active, fun, and top quality junior tennis program at Crosspointe this summer!*

Many parents have already registered their children for the camps and spaces in the camps have been filling up very fast. There are now plans to bring on an additional instructor.

5. **Fence installation on multipurpose courts.** The Chair reported that the fencing contractor has received their down payment to install vinyl coated chain link fencing on three sides of the Glen Eagles multipurpose court and the Cross Chase multipurpose court. The fences will be 48 inches tall and are intended to prevent basketballs and other balls from rolling off the courts into adjacent streams and thickets. The installation is now expected to be completed in June. After the new fencing is installed at the Cross Chase court, a new pickleball net on wheels will be installed at the court making it even more convenient for pickleball players.
6. **Drainage at the Oak Chase courts.** There still appears to be some drainage problems at the Oak Chase tennis courts as moisture intermittently seeps upwards from beneath the courts. Committee members will try to regular inspect the courts to observe if there is any pattern to the appearance of the moisture (e.g., whether it might be related to the weather or pool operations). The Tennis Committee will meet with several drainage contractors and tennis court contractors to get their opinions about the source of the water and how water problem might be remediated. The water seeps are found in the section of the tennis courts closest to the pool.
7. **Tennis Clinic for New Adult Players.** The committee discussed a proposal to host a free clinic for novice adult tennis players that would introduce them to fundamentals of the most common shots (forehand, backhand, volleys) and demonstrate some simple drills that they can practice with other novice players to develop their skills.

**Adjourned: 8:00 PM**