

# **Bear Creek** Swim and Tennis Club

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## Message from the Vice-President

Your Board of Directors is gearing up for an exciting 2020 season after a challenging spring for us all. We are just over five weeks away from another great season at Bear Creek Swim & Tennis Club! We are preparing to be open on Memorial Day weekend, Saturday, May 23rd. While naturally our plans remain subject to the evolving permissions of the state.

The board has been busy hiring the staff for the summer. We would like to welcome back our swim coaches, **Stewart Ratliff** and **Sheila Peebles**. Our head tennis pro, **Ryan Freeman** will also be returning. We are very happy to have them all back for another great season.

Please come out for clean-up days and help us get Bear Creek ready! This is a great opportunity to teach your kids about volunteering for their community. As in the years past, guest passes will be given out to families that participate. We have scheduled clean-up to occur over 3 days: Saturday, May 9th, 10:00am-4:00pm, Saturday, May 16th, 10:00am-4:00pm and Sunday, May 17th, noon-4:00pm. We have scheduled 3 days in case of bad weather.

Construction is on track, and all of the projects should be completed before the club opens. I can't wait for everyone to enjoy all of the improvements that we have made. We will again be at a full membership this year as the membership drive continues at a brisk pace.

I encourage all members to provide input to me or via [info@bcstc.org](mailto:info@bcstc.org).

Wishing you all safe sheltering!

John Wilson, Vice-President  
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## BALANCES DUE

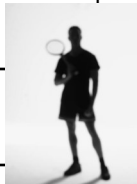
Remember that **April 1, 2020** was the deadline for membership dues to be paid in full. As per the club bylaws, a delinquency fee of \$25 will be assessed on payments that are **postmarked after April 1, 2020**, unless you have contacted us for an extension due to COVID-19 circumstances. The day the payment is postmarked will be the date used to determine the date of payment. NEW members that just joined for the 2020 season have until **May 1, 2020** for their membership dues to be paid in full.

## BCSTC NEWSLETTER

The **Bear Creek Swim & Tennis Club Newsletter** is published five times a year in March, April, May, June and September. The deadline for articles is the last day of the month preceding if you have an article to submit. All newsletters are sent to members via the club's email (unless you requested a paper copy) and are also posted on our website ([www.bcstc.org](http://www.bcstc.org)). Newsletter Editor is Michelle Hannigan, email info for the newsletter to [mahannigan@netzero.net](mailto:mahannigan@netzero.net).

## CLUB COMMUNICATION

As many of you know, we are relying heavily on e-mail to communicate with our members. If we don't have an e-mail address on file for you, that means that you are missing out on important announcements and opportunities about the club. Please send an e-mail message to [info@bcstc.org](mailto:info@bcstc.org) to inform us of your e-mail address, and if you change your e-mail address at any time, please alert us ASAP. Also, it is equally important to add the e-mail address [info@bcstc.org](mailto:info@bcstc.org) to your address book so the messages don't end up in your SPAM folder.



## Membership

Thank you to all our members who have paid their dues in full for 2020 or have paid a deposit. To date, we have 307 families who have paid their 2020 season dues in full.

This leaves approximately 93 families with monies yet to pay. Payments can be made by Mastercard and VISA via PayPal. Just go to the website ([www.bcstc.org](http://www.bcstc.org)), click on the Pay Online page on the left hand navigation, and then select the payment option from the drop-down menu on the PayPal button. There is a 3% processing fee included. You still have the option of paying by check or cash to avoid that fee. Make sure to send checks to the post office box (mail will not be delivered to the club during the off-season) at P.O. Box 27412, Lakewood, CO 80227.

Over the years, our best source of new members is referrals from current members. You all have done such a good job that we now have a waiting list of almost 47 families and 113 empty nesters! When you refer family and friends to the club and your name appears on a new member's application as a referral, you will receive \$25 worth of guest passes!

If you know someone who would like more information about membership, or a tour of our facility, please have them contact Michelle Hannigan. I'd be glad to show them our great club! Call the club at 303-988-9808 and leave a message.



## Adult Tennis News

It's not too early to start day-dreaming about the warm days and nights-because that means you can play tennis outside at BCSTC! Bear Creek's tennis coordinator for Men's, Women's, Mixed and Junior Team Tennis again this year is **Linda Schley**. Please contact Linda at [bearcreektennis1@gmail.com](mailto:bearcreektennis1@gmail.com) for team numbers, or questions regarding tennis.

The following leagues are all about to start! Don't miss your opportunity to get registered for a league/team!

### 2020 League Registration Deadlines

**Trio League: Cancelled**

**USTA Mixed 40 & over: Cancelled**

**USTA Adult 55 & over: April 10**

**CTA Women's Daytime Doubles: April 10**

**USTA Adult Mixed 18 & over: April 17**

**USTA Adult 18 & over: May 1**

**CTA Adult 18 - 39: Cancelled**

**USTA Adult 40 & over: Cancelled**

**CTA Women's 2.5 League: Cancelled**

*(stay tuned for more dates)*

Rules: League teams must be comprised of 75% of players at level. As an adult, you need a USTA membership and USTA number to sign up for a league. Cost is \$44/year plus league fees. You can get that number by visiting [www.coloradotennis.com](http://www.coloradotennis.com), or calling 1-800-990-8782 or visiting [www.usta.com](http://www.usta.com). We recommend doing it online, as you do not have to wait as long to get your number!

You have the option of paying the BCSTC tennis league fee (\$40) and USTA Junior Team Tennis fee (\$208 on/before May 1st or \$233 after May 2nd) by PayPal. Just go to the website ([www.bcstc.org](http://www.bcstc.org)), click on the Tennis page on the left hand navigation, and then select the payment option from the drop-down menu on the PayPal button. There is a 3% processing fee included, you still have the option of paying by check or cash to avoid that fee.

The tennis ball machine is being stored in the club's shed, if you would like to use it, call or text **John Wilson** at 720-297-0713 to get information on using the machine. As a reminder, **please do not use shovels on the tennis courts**, it damages the surface. Please use a broom or the squeegees that are provided by the club.



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Robin & Susan Adams**  
**Hazel '01                  Delilah '10**  
**Althea '09**

**Matthew & Jennifer Arensdorf**  
**Grace '15**

**Eric Atonna & Lisa Doelger**  
**Sophie '13                  Hunter '16**

**Michael & Ali Bernstein**  
**Ana '13                  Avery '16**

**Justin & Courtney Boehm**  
**Mckenna '11                  Grant '14**  
**Briar '13                  Morgan '16**

**Luc & Amanda Comeau**  
**Olivia '08                  Benjamin '10**

**John & Kelly Haynes**  
**Brooklyn '03                  Avery '06**  
**Charly '03                  Makenzie '06**

**Adrian & Heather Heuer**  
**Emerson '08                  Harrison '12**

**Tom & Carmen Martin**  
**Viviana '07                  Veronica '09**

**Luke & Jennifer Osborne**  
**Joseph '05                  Isaac '09**  
**Eli '07                  Adam '12**

**Jim & Paula Percival**

**Jason Pingenot & Hillary Smith**  
**Remy '16**

**Jason & Celeste Tayar**  
**Deacon '12                  Cecily '18**  
**Camille '16**

**Carlos & Deborah Vela**  
**Emma '18**

**Paul & Jennifer Willis**  
**Van '13**

**Michael Wisneski & Michelle Bauer**  
**Matthew '03                  Madeline '07**



# SWIM TEAM NEWS

Swim Team is a great activity at Bear Creek Swim & Tennis Club! We are very excited for the 2020 Bear Creek Summer Swim Club Program as we again compete in the South Jeffco Swim League. The swim team parent committee and the coaching staff are looking forward to another great swim team season.

Our team is a family oriented, summer-club team. Our goals are to provide a safe and healthy environment for the children at our club, to enjoy a competitive recreational sport, learn valuable life lessons of sportsmanship and teamwork, enhance personal improvement team spirit, to have fun and develop a love of swimming.

Join us for our upcoming (PENDING) Spring Swim! If you are considering joining the swim team, test the waters at our Spring Swim training! Practice is held once a week on Sunday afternoons at a location TBD. Practices start April 26th and will continue through May 17th. Practice time for all ages and skill level swimmers will be from 3:00-4:00p.m. Bear Creek Swim & Tennis Club members cost is \$40 per swimmer. The registration form on page 5 is for information purposes only, registration will be done through SWIMTOPIA. Questions at [bearcreekswim@gmail.com](mailto:bearcreekswim@gmail.com).

Team Suit Fitting! We will be offering a swim team suit fitting available by [Out of Breath Sports](#) on a date to be determined. Again this year, all Swim Team registrations will be done through SWIMTOPIA, team registration will be May 1 thru May 15. Swim Team is for children ages 5 through 18. This year our swim team season may be impacted by COVID-19, we will know more as we get closer to the summer season. Our season is slated to begin May 18 through July 26 with the majority of the swim meets occurring on Saturday mornings.

First day in the pool-May 18th for evening practice! We look forward to seeing you and your children on the pool deck this spring and summer! For questions or more information, please email us at [bearcreekswim@gmail.com](mailto:bearcreekswim@gmail.com).





## Join us for SPRING SWIM!

Where: Spring Swim is **PENDING** on COVID-19 circumstances

When: April 26                      May 3                      May 17

Times: 3:00-4:00pm • all ages and skill levels

Cost:    Members: \$40 per swimmer

Signup: Register on *SWIMTOPIA*

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Swimmer(s):

\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Complete form and bring to practice on April 26th. Please arrive 15 minutes early for check in.**

Check made out to Bear Creek Swim and Tennis Club.

*\*Due to liability, the form and fee must be turned in prior to any swimmer entering the pool*

Are you interested in joining the 2020 Swim Team?    yes        no

Are you a current BCSTC member?                      yes        no                      Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Email: [BearCreekSwim@gmail.com](mailto:BearCreekSwim@gmail.com)





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## CLEAN-UP DAYS

Join us for Clean-Up Days! Help us get Bear Creek Swim & Tennis Club ready for the 2020 season. We have scheduled 3 days in case of inclement weather. Bring your garden gloves and don't forget the sunscreen! Also, please wear or bring a face mask for added protection. Being that we are an outdoor facility, we should be able to keep our social distance to keep us all safe!

Clean-Up Days are scheduled for:

Saturday, May 9 from 10:00am-4:00pm

Saturday, May 16 from 10:00am-4:00pm

Sunday, May 17 from 12:00pm-4:00pm



Ready for some summer fun?