

EVENTS

Special events happen throughout the year. 4th of July is celebrated with a Tennis Tournament, pool games, and a terrific Pot Luck Dinner. Other tennis tournaments are held on Labor Day, Memorial Day and Oktoberfest. This is your Club. If you would like to help organize an activity, bring your ideas to the Board of Governors.

COMMUNICATION

The Club newsletter, **SPLASH & VOLLEY**, comes out monthly from March through September and is available at the Club or by e-mail. Events, hours of operations, and announcements are printed for your interest.

CLUB RENTAL

The Pool and Clubroom are available to rent by members for private use. Contact the Manager for rental fees and information.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Board has regularly scheduled monthly meetings. All members are welcome to attend.

The Nominating Committee presents a slate of new candidates each year, four in odd years, three in even years.

The Board consists of seven members who serve a term of two years. Any member is eligible to serve on the Board after being a member for one year.

Eichler Swim & Tennis Club
3539 Louis Road
Palo Alto, CA 94303
494-6521

Welcome to the Eichler Swim & Tennis Club. We hope you enjoy the facility and related social opportunities for many years to come. We are pleased to have you join us as one of our 300 Eichler families.

This booklet was developed to provide you with the membership policies and procedures, as well as other helpful information. Please take a few minutes to review the contents and go over them with other family members.

We invite you to contact our Manager directly or any member of the Board with your questions or suggestions.

Thanks again for joining and enjoy your family membership!

Cordially,

Eichler Board of Governors

HISTORY

The Eichler Swim & Tennis Club is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of California as a non-profit corporation for the purpose of promoting social activities among, and furnishing recreational and educational facilities to, its members. The Club was incorporated on November 19, 1958 and was built by Joe Eichler. The number of proprietary memberships is limited to 300 by our Conditional Use Permit with the City of Palo Alto.



The Club is governed by the Board of Governors. Each Governor is elected for a two year term at the annual membership meeting held in February or March.

MEMBERSHIP

A proprietary membership may be held only by one person or jointly by two persons who reside on the same premises. All related persons residing in the household become family members. A Membership Entrance Fee is payable at the time a proprietary membership is issued.

GUEST POLICY

Each family unit may bring 35 complimentary guests per year. Any additional guests are charged \$3 per visit. All guests must be accompanied by a member for the duration of the visit and abide by all Club rules.

TENNIS COURTS

- The four tennis courts are open during the daylight hours.
- Members must sign in at the guard station for a tennis court.
- When others are waiting for a court, there is a 1 hour 15 minute time limit for court use.
- A Guest may use the court only when playing with a member.
- Tennis Courts are to be used only for tennis play or sanctioned instruction.
- Tennis shoes are required on the courts.
- Courts may be reserved on the weekends between 11 am and 5 pm in 1 hour 15 minute blocks.
- Summer tennis clinics are taught by our tennis pro and are held on courts #3 & 4 Monday through Friday. Year round tennis lessons are taught on court # 2.
- Use of ball machines is permitted only when the adjacent court is not in use.
- Eichler sanctioned events have priority on all courts.
- Notices are posted for Tennis Tournaments, USTA and Junior Tennis Matches, and court wash days.

USTA

The Eichler Swim & Tennis Club competes in several United States Tennis Association adult team programs. In the fall, the mixed doubles format is held and in the spring the men's and women's teams compete. Those wishing to participate should contact our pro.

JUNIOR TENNIS TEAM

The junior team is open to players of intermediate to advanced skill level. The team competes against other local clubs on Friday afternoons in the summer and selected afternoons in the spring. The emphasis of the matches is for players to develop their skills in competitive situations. Both singles and doubles are played.



PAYMENT OF DUES

Transfer Fee

All members are required to pay a one time transfer fee. This administrative fee is paid at the time a name is placed on the waiting list. The transfer fee is refundable by a written notice requesting removal from the waiting list.

Membership Dues

Dues may be paid in advance annually in February, semi-annually in February and August, or monthly. Dues are due on the first of the month and are delinquent after the tenth.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A member may submit a written request to the Board of Governors for the approval of Special Leave. The Special Leave is for a minimum of one year. The member is excused from paying dues during that period. Upon the member's request and after approval from the Board, the member's name will be placed at the top of the waiting list. When an opening occurs, the membership will again become active.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Member Initiated Termination

A member may terminate membership by giving a 30 days written notice. For annual dues, any refunds will be made on a pro-rated monthly basis. Memberships are returned to the Club and the Entrance Fee of \$250 will be refunded if all dues are current.

Termination for Cause

A member may be expelled from the Club in accordance with Section 7341 of the California Nonprofit Corporation Law, for violation of the Bylaws or rules of the Club, or for default of dues payments.

RULES OF CONDUCT

- All members must register upon entering the Club.
- Parents, whether present or not, are responsible for their children at the Club.
- Only Staff or Board Members are allowed in the office. A phone is provided for member use at the sign-in area. The number is 494-9010.
- Appropriate clothing is to be worn on the Club premises by all members and guests.
- A member planning to bring a group of 10 or more shall notify the Manager in advance and can have priority use of the BBQ area. It is necessary to complete a reservation form when you are bringing 10 guests.
- All bicycles, skateboards, and skates must be walked from the entrance of the Club and parked in the racks south of the wading pool.

CHANGING ROOMS

- Place personal items in cubbies, not on the bench.
- No food or drinks are allowed.
- Children **under the age of 6**, of either sex, may use either changing room when accompanied by an adult. If age 6 or older, the child must use the appropriate gender changing room.
- Limit showers to **3** minutes.
- Keep the locker rooms clean for others by cleaning up after yourself.

TENNIS

Teaching Pro Conrad Lopez

Conrad has been the teaching professional at the Eichler Swim & Tennis Club for over 20 years. Prior to taking the job here he served as an assistant at the Los Altos Country Club and the University Club of Palo Alto.

In addition to his club positions, Conrad coached the men's team at Menlo College in Menlo Park in 1989 and 1990.

His competitive experience includes playing #1 for the University of Oregon in 1978 and holding a ranking in Southern California while competing for Los Angeles Valley College in 1976.

Lessons

Lessons are given in the following formats:

- Half-hour or one hour private lessons.
- Semi-private (two students).
- Group and USTA team clinics.
- Doubles strategy clinics.
- Interclub team events.
- Four two-week summer camps.

Conrad Lopez can be contacted the following ways:

Email: joycecon@mindspring.com

Club: 650 494-6521

Cell: 415 218-6340



MANAGER

Sue Kelly

In 1998, the Eichler Board hired Sue Kelly as the Club Manager. In her first year, Sue was kept busy with the renovation of the pool and dressing rooms. Since then, she has overseen the running of all aspects of the Club including many club improvements.

Sue began her association with Eichler as the head coach of the Eichler Gator Swim Team in 1990. She has coached the team in some capacity for 17 years. Sue expressed that the Gator Team is a great group of young people and supportive parents who recognize the importance of organized sports. An age group swim team is the only sport where you can participate on the same team for 15 years! Many of our swimmers have done just that.

Sue's own swimming started at Palo Alto Swim Club in 1960. After graduating from Cubberley H.S. and attending the University of Hawaii and 13 years of endless hours in the ocean, Sue returned to California and began swimming U.S. Masters and coaching a summer league swim team. In 1990 she returned to Palo Alto to work for the Palo Alto Unified School District and to coach at Eichler in the spring and summer months. Sue became a member of Rinconada Masters and has enjoyed the camaraderie of a wonderful group of teammates with whom she shares several national freestyle relay records. Sue has also placed first in freestyle and butterfly events during annual Pacific Masters Section competitions.

SWIMMING POOLS

State Health Law Requires:

- All swimmers must shower before entering either of the two pools.
- You may not enter the water with an open wound or infectious disease.
- Only swimwear is allowed in either pool.

For your safety and the safety of others:

- Running is not allowed on the pool deck.
- Disorderly conduct and rough-housing is prohibited.
- No glass containers of any sort are allowed, except in the clubroom.
- Smoking is not allowed on the premises.

MAIN POOL

- Swimming is permitted only when a lifeguard is on duty.
- Pool hours are posted at the pool office and in the newsletter. Hours change with the seasons and weather conditions.
- Children under 6 years of age in either pool must be closely supervised by an adult or competent swimmer 14 years or older. · Children between the ages of 6 and 10 who have not passed the proficiency test, are not allowed to use the pool unless supervised by an adult or sitter.
- No food, gum, or drinks are allowed in the pool deck area inside the yellow lines.
- Radios or tape players must be operated with ear phones.
- The main pool is open year round, with a short maintenance closing in Dec/Jan.

- **LAP SWIMMING.** The three lanes on the east side of the pool have been designated for adult (16 or older) lap swimming. Children may swim in the lap lanes only if there is an empty lane for lap swimming.
- **DIVING BOARD.** One person at a time permitted on the board.
- The diving area must be clear before the next person may dive.
- Enter the pool after one bounce, then swim to either the ladders or to the five foot section of the pool.
- Jumping from the side of the board and hanging from the board are prohibited.

WADING POOL

- The wading pool is limited to children 6 years of age and under.
- An adult or sitter must be in the wading pool area when a child in their charge is in the wading pool.
- Children not toilet trained must be wearing swimming diapers or specially made rubber pants. Diaper accidents require that the pool be closed for two hours.
- The wading pool is open the months of April through September.



EIGHLER GATOR SWIM TEAM

The Gator Swim Team gets under way April 1 and continues through July. Weekly Saturday swim meets against other teams in the Junipera Serra Swim League are held in June and July.

The team is open to any members age 5 through 18 with all levels of swimming ability. For safety reasons, young children must be able to swim unassisted across the diving pool. Beginners become accomplished swimmers with daily practice Monday through Friday. Private stroke lessons are available through the coaching staff. This is a full family activity, since the parents are the officials who run the swim meets. Social events are held throughout the season, ending with the awards dinner following the Championship Meet.



