

THE PAUGUSSET CLUB

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MEET OUR NEW CLUB MANAGER

We would like to welcome our new manager, Michael O'Brien to Paugusset. Mike has brought with him years of experience. Mike has worked at Ridge Top Club for 2 years, managing life guarding staff and overseeing day to day operations. He has been head

coach of Notre Dame High School, St Josephs High School, Foran High School swim teams and assistant coach for the Amity Regional Aquatic Club. As well as being a CPR and First Aid instructor, Mike has supervised various Park and Recreation Activi-

ties for the Town of Orange. Mike will be a great asset to the club with all of his knowledge, skills, and abilities. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please feel free to bring them to his attention.

THE CLUB GOES ELECTRONIC!

JEFFREY GRANDE – TREASURER

As we draw closer to warmer weather and the official club opening, I'd like to share some technology improvements occurring behind the scenes to improve various aspects of the Paugusset Club.

Indoor/Outdoor Wireless Access – my technology consulting firm [The Business Network Group] donated the indoor and outdoor wireless access point solution. This Wi-Fi upgrade will provide club members with better wireless coverage while allowing for a secure internal Paugy Wi-Fi network for club management software and future enhancements. Ideally, Paugy will have a solid Wi-Fi network that can reach the entire campus (including the tennis area). Many thanks to

member Bill Ruddel for assisting with the underlying data cabling. **Club Management Software** – perhaps the largest endeavor to date is the migration of our club membership to a cloud-based software package called Wild Apricot. This software (actually introduced by various board members last season) will provide a platform for a centralized communications to club members via a via email and a member portal. Furthermore, we seek to provide the membership with a secure on-line payment system for all club dues, social events, and tennis/swim fees. This system and relevant dependencies are still a work in progress. We hope to have it fully functioning by June 1st, 2011.

Web Site Enhancements

– updating our club website is also underway. Efforts spearheaded by member Dewey Forbes, will ensure fresh content and linkage to the new member portal.

The aforementioned objectives are a sampling of various efforts to improve club communications and institution memory. As new features and/or services are ready, this will be communicated as events warrant. If you have not done so already, please provide a primary and secondary email address for your account to: treasurer@paugy.com.

Looking forward to a great season!

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

EMMET HIBSON – PRESIDENT

Welcome to Paugusset Club, 2011. As you may know, every two years Paugy has a new president. In February I started a two year term that hopefully can grow on the success of the previous two year term of Past President Rich Zorena.

As many of you know, Paugusset has seen some renovations in the past few years, with hopefully more to come over the years. The club has added a deck that not only adds seating; it provides a bridge to seamlessly join the pool and tennis seating. The pool heater was replaced ensuring a warm pool regardless of the outside temperature, the hard courts are in the middle of a three year refinishing, there was work on cutting down and trimming back trees, and overall ground repairs.

While many projects have been started and, in some cases, completed, many more projects are needed to grow Paugusset into the premier swim and tennis destination in the area. Keeping in mind the fact that Paugusset is essentially a three month club for most members; a growth plan that maximizes the

use of the club during those three months will be the main goal of my two year term.

I would like to thank the long term members that have seen many changes throughout their years at Paugy. Hopefully the management teams currently in place and in the future will make more changes as the years go by. While Paugusset is a technically a location with a pool, tennis court, and clubhouse, its true beauty is in its collection of personalities and relaxed attitude.

I would also like to thank the new members. As with any club, membership changes from year to year. While it is sad to see friends go on to other stages of their lives, new friends join. Over time, Paugusset changes faces but hopefully the core function of the club that was started over 50 years ago remains the same. So it is with great pleasure that Paugusset welcomes all new members to the club for them and their families to enjoy.

Paugusset is about watching kids grow year to year. It is amazing to watch a family come to the club with a young

child who is learning the Paugy way and seeing that child become one of the leaders of the Paugy way. Children are an integral part of the club and most of the clubs activities are based on providing the kids that are here during the summer with a safe, fun place to grow.

There are many activities for children to participate in, swim team, tennis team, arts and crafts, swim lessons, tennis lessons, and playground activities. The club offers these activities in both a competitive interclub setting or in a relaxed learn how setting; which ever setting fits your child it is available at Paugy. Additionally, as Paugusset has a reciprocal agreement with Racebrook Country Club, children can also participate in Racebrook's Jr. Golf program.

I hope that for what ever reason you join the club, Paugusset is the place you expected. If for any reason the club is not meeting your expectations, please feel free to let me know.

Again, welcome to summer 2011.

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

JAMIE WEBER – MEMEBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

As Memorial Day draws near, we would like to extend a warm Paugy welcome to the Barnes, Lynch, Averaimo, and Perry Families. They are the newest additions to the Paugy Family.

We held a very successful Open House on March 19th. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time at this event.

As both a recruitment and a social effort, we will be hosting Happy Hour at the Club every Friday evening in May from 4-7pm. Bring the family, your favorite food and beverages, and any friends who may be interested in joining the Club. We expect these evenings to be fun, relaxing and enjoyable as are all those summer days spent at Paugy.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in a membership, please direct them to the website at www.Paugy.com or send them my email address jamieweb@optonline.net

Start planning accordingly because the official season begins May 28th!

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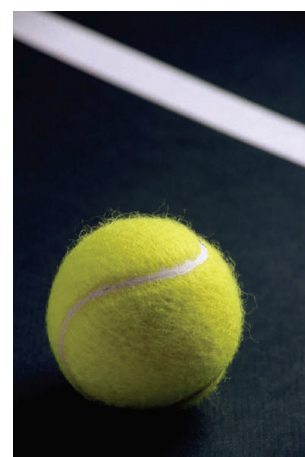
TENNIS PROGRAM

MIKE MCMANUS – TENNIS COACH

The spring is here and the Paugy Tennis Staff is eager and excited about getting on the courts for another great spring, summer and fall season. We are happy to announce that Mike McManus, Tim Dancy, Alex Orban and all your favorite teachers will be back for another season. We have had a great winter teaching together at Milford Indoor Tennis. Mike has carried a very busy teaching schedule while Tim has obtained his USPTA (tennis) Certification as well as become a Certified Personal Trainer. Tim is also now the Coach of the Hamden Hall Middle School Team. Alex has gained more teaching experience at

Milford Indoor while going full time to college. The tennis program is introducing its new pre-season kids camps on Sundays in May (May 8, 15, 22) from 11-2pm. Our after school clinics start May 30 (Memorial Day) and run until the summer program starts June 27th. The tennis program is bringing back all the same great events and clinics. We will build upon the success of our events added last year i.e. Ladies Night, Fall Camps, Tri-Club Challenge, Men’s Drills and Junior Team Match Play. We are also excited to be adding some new events in 2011. There will be an Adult Match

Play on Fridays as well as Men’s Drills on Saturday afternoons and for the juniors we will be having a Club Championships. We have courts playable now and are available for lessons and clinics now so if you are itching to start early, don’t hesitate to call the shop at 203-795-8938 or email mmcmanus1@yahoo.com. The tennis staff would like to communicate as best we can with the entire club so if you have a new email or do not receive emails from the club please email Mike at mmcmanus1@yahoo.com. Thanks and see you soon!



May 2011

We're on the Web at
www.paugy.com

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

PHIL GRANDE- PRESIDENT ELECT

Through the long winter's nap, the ides of March, and the blooms of April, a small crew has been working diligently to prepare the Club for the Annual Opening Day. You may or may not be thinking, "What exactly does it take to turn the lights on at Paugusset?" In either case you are about to find out. Just like any other business we need to comply with local fire regulations, health and public safety rules, and insurance requirements. We've completed some professional cleanings, various inspections, and equipment upgrades in the building. You'll be pleased to know that after our efforts, we have been issued our annual Dance Hall Permit as required by the Town of Orange. The pool is being serviced and setup for the

season, and pretty soon the locker rooms will be opened up and the outside water turned on. The Har-Tru courts have been prepped already, while the hard courts are scheduled for regular maintenance and a paint upgrade.

Now, on to the fun stuff. Our manager, Mike O'Brien is beginning to set up the pool furniture, all of the tables and chairs, and the rest of our equipment that's been forgotten for a few months. In addition, a new, more powerful wi-fi access point is being installed on the property. We may tackle a few small projects this year around the club, but haven't firmed up any decisions yet. If you have anything in mind, let me know. If it is a good idea, rest assured, I'll have you

help implement whatever you suggest. In the meantime, the weekend of May 14-15 has been selected for Paugy Appreciation Day. Members are encouraged to participate in some of the housecleaning and setup details that will be going on. Don't worry, no heavy lifting here, maybe just 12 oz. curls!

I am also pleased to announce that we have firmed up our snack bar arrangements. John Ceneri will be serving up snacks, meals and drinks throughout the season. John has operated our snack bar before (about 5 years ago) and we look forward to his return.

I hope to see you for our Friday Happy Hours in May, and for the Appreciation Weekend.

NOTE FROM PAST PRESIDENT

RICHARD ZORENA- PAST PRESIDENT

The nominating committee selected a very capable and energetic board for this season; the membership is very fortunate. After serving for nine years on this board, the dedication of this body makes my last year as a board member the most enjoyable.

Thanks to the many hands that changed the tenor of volunteerism here so that necessary checks and balances are in place for club finances and all Paugy board members are truly uncompensated volunteers.

My wife Joan deserves the greatest thanks for being secretary to the board and helping in countless ways behind the scenes.... most importantly continuously reminding me of my task - -- to leave the club a better place than when I came as I am sure Emmet will do as well.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HEATHER ALLEN- SOCIAL CHAIR

I am very excited to announce some of the upcoming events for the season. I hope that these events will add to the appeal of the club. Summer is such a wonderful time of year, but what makes it so special to me are the good times spent at Paugy. Each year is filled with different highlights, one better than the other. I have put together a calendar for the next few months packed with activities. I encourage everyone to look it over and begin to plan for the events. If you think of an event or activity that you would like us to host, please let me know so we can add it to the calendar. It is early in the season and I expect to make changes to the calendar as needed. Be sure to check our website regu-

larly for updates. I will also keep everyone informed by posting information at the front desk and on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. If you would like to assist with any events please let me know. I can always use helping hands!

Happy Hours- Jamie, our Membership Chairman, will host Happy Hour every Friday in May. Bring your family and friends for some pre-season fun.

During Memorial Day Weekend there will be a bounce house and snow cone machine on premises all weekend. We will host our first BBQ of the season on Sunday afternoon from 3-6pm. The tennis staff will have a meet and greet with an

opportunity to try out the newest Head racquets.

We will continue to have Movie Nights because they have been such a big hit. These nights will coordinate with Men 's and Ladies Tennis Nights

The Big Green Pizza Truck will be here on July 7th.

Save the Date-July 16th Adult Dinner Dance

I also plan to continue the annual Paugy Camp-out Weekend.

These are only some of the events planned. I'd love to have your input. Drop me a message anytime at heathercafasso@yahoo.com
Happy Summer!

Save the Date

**Saturday,
July 16th**

Dinner Dance.

Enjoy a beautifully catered dinner and dance to the music of the Run Runner Band.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

We are happy to announce the return of our Swim Coach Ken Pierson and Diving Coach Gil Cyr. They are putting together their plan for a winning season. The meet schedule is already set and we are pleased to report that Paugusset will be hosting the Swimming Championships on Saturday, July 30th. The new racing suits

will be available for purchase on Friday June 24th from 10-11:15 during practice. Female suits can be purchased for \$51.75 and male suits for \$32.25. Practice begins Thursday, June 23rd. The meet schedule is listed on page 7.

The practice schedule is as follows, beginning Thurs June 23rd.

Swimming:

9:00-10:30 am- Ages 11+ and year round swimmers ages 9 and 10

10:30-11:30am- Ages 7-8 and 9-10

10:30-11 am- Ages 6 and under

Diving:

9-10 am-Ages 10-under

10:30- 12pm- Ages 11+



BOARD INTRODUCTIONS

I am please to present to you the new board members. They are a very exited and motivated group. I'm sure you'll find them very approachable and open to any suggestions you have to improve the quality of the club. Please contact them with any of your concerns.

Officers

President – Emmet Hibson
 Past President – Richard Zorena
 President Elect – Phil Grande
 Vice-President – Fred Messoro
 Treasurer – Jeff Grande

Board Members

Membership – Jamie Webber
 Social Chair – Heather Allen

Members-At-Large

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| Brian Kaligian | Sherri Franzman |
| Dewey Forbes | Lou Angerame |
| Chris Browe | Brian Grunow |



SNACK BAR

HEATHER ALLEN – SOCIAL CHAIR

John Ceneri is back! I'm pleased to welcome John back to his original home at Pauguesst. John ran the snack bar for 20 years, left for 4 years, and has finally returned. During the year John is a teacher and coach at Hamden High School. In the Fall he will enter his

30th year in education. His love for teaching and coaching has always shown through, just has his love of the club. John has expanded his menu and I took a sneak peek – boy does it look delicious! He is offering a variety of wraps, sandwiches and salads in addition to the

usual staples. John will be posting his menu on the website so you can plan ahead for lunches and dinner at Paugy. The snack bar will be open daily during the season.

OTHER DETAILS

HEATHER ALLEN – SOCIAL CHAIR

Mark your calendars! May 14-15 is Appreciation Weekend. Come join us for a couple days of preparation to get the club ready for opening weekend. Any amount of time you can contribute will be a huge help to everyone.

A special thank you goes out to Jeff Heitmann. Jeff is the owner of Porch and Patio of 363 Boston Post Rd Orange, CT. Jeff has provided the furniture that you will find in the club house.

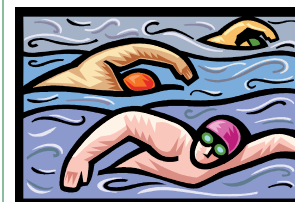
I am very proud to bring back the Paugusset Newsletter. I think members rely on it to stay informed of all that goes on, even during the off-season. I volunteered to create this issue and get the ball rolling. If anyone is interesting in assisting please let me know. The intent is to have quarterly issues.

SWIM AND DIVING MEETS

KEN PIERSON – SWIM COACH

Divers Report at 7a.m
 Swimmer Report at 8 a.m.

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| Tuesday | July 5 | Farms at Paugy |
| Friday | July 8 | Copper Valley at Paugy |
| Wednesday | July 13 | Paugy at Paradise |
| Saturday | July 16 | Paugy at Woodbridge |
| Wednesday | July 20 | Paugy at High Lane |
| Monday | July 25 | Diving Championships at Woodbridge |
| Wednesday | July 27 | 9/10, 11/12 Trials at Paradise |
| Thursday | July 28 | 6U Finals/8u/13 and over at Farms |
| Saturday | July 30 | Finals (Top 6 from Trials) at Paugy |



SOCIAL TENNIS SCHEDULE

MIKE MCMANUS – TENNIS COACH

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| Sunday | May 29 | Meet & Greet Demo Day – 1pm |
| Wednesdays | June 1 | Men’s Night at 7pm (bring \$5 for the pot) |
| Thursdays | June 2 | Ladies Night at 7pm |
| Sunday | June 12 | Ladies Member-Guest at 9am |
| Friday | June 17 | Margarita Night 7:00-9:00pm |
| Saturday | June 25 | Junior Opening Day 2:00-4:00pm |
| Monday | June 27 | Summer Program Starts |
| Monday | July 4 | Firecracker Doubles Tournament 9:00am |
| Sunday | July 10 | Mixed Doubles Member/Guest 9:00am |
| Friday | July 15 | Margarita Night 7:00-9:00pm |
| Sunday | July 17 | Men’s Member/Guest 9:00am |
| Wednesday | July 27 | Men’s A/B Tournament 6:00pm (pls bring \$10 for the pot) |
| Sunday | July 24 | Women’s Singles Tournament at 9:00am Men’s Singles Tournament at 11:00am |
| Friday | July 29 | Mixed Doubles and Frozen Margarita’s 7:00pm |
| Sunday | July 31 | Women’s Doubles Tournament 9:00am Men’s Doubles Tournament 11:00am |
| Sunday | August 7 | Junior Club Championships 11:00am |
| Monday | August 8 | Post Season camp and tri-club challenge start |

