



The Garden City Casino A Tennis and Social Club

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GC Casino Newsletter August 2026 (Part 1)

President's Message

Welcome to our August Newsletter. We had a full calendar of tennis and social events in July, and this month will be even busier. Our club tournaments are well underway, the tennis leagues are moving toward the playoffs, and we have several special events coming up in August. On behalf of all Casino members, we extend our sincere gratitude to the generous club volunteers, particularly those who have stepped up to host our many special events and the new Friday evening pop-up patio socials, which have been a big hit this year.

This month, our Senior Corner column returns with a very interesting profile of Jon Leake, who was recently featured in a terrific full-length sports documentary called "***The Streak***." That column is published separately and may be found in **Part 2** of this month's newsletter, which is posted on the PlayByPoint app.

It has been a wonderful summer to date, and we look forward to lots of great tennis and good times as we move into the second half of the 2026 season at the Casino. Looking forward to seeing you on the courts and on the patio soon!

Drew Wozniak
President

August 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
						6:30AM - 12:30 Open Play
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6:30AM - 12:30 Open Play		5:30PM: Men's Senior League Playoffs (TBD)	10AM: Women's A2 Team 5PM: Men's Burger Night	10AM: Women's B1 Team	10AM: Women's B3 Team 5-9PM: Mixed Round Robin	7:30-12:30: Men's Member Guest
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
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August 2026 Casino Special Events

August	4	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Men's Senior League Playoffs
August	4	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mahjong 103 (In the Bar)
August	5	Wednesday	5:00 PM	Men's Burger Night
August	7	Friday	5:00 PM	Mixed Doubles Round Robin
August	8	Saturday	7:30 AM	Men's Member - Guest
August	9	Sunday	5:00 PM	Family Day
August	11	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Men's Senior League Finals
August	13	Thursday	5:00 PM	Ladies Night
August	19	Wednesday	5:00 PM	Men's Burger Night

July Special Events Roundup

Ladies Night – July 16th



Summer Fest – July 18th



Mixed Doubles Round Robin – July 25th

The Casino held a terrific Mixed Doubles Round Robin on the last Saturday in July. The weather was perfect for a wonderful evening of fun tennis, delicious food and great socializing. Sincere thanks to our co-hosts, the Sullivans and the Larssons, for volunteering to run the event and for all the hard work they put in to ensuring its success.





The Casino ladies of tennis celebrating a big birthday with Amy O'Leary on the patio

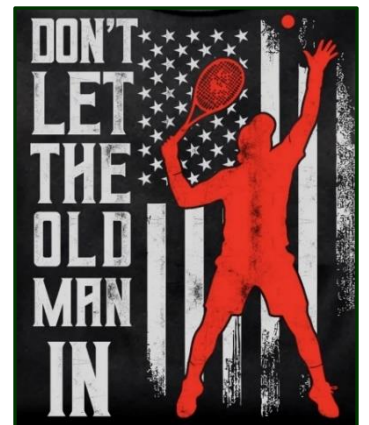
Casino Tennis League Play



Christine Bradley & Valerie Gladd after their big victory on Court #1

The Casino tennis teams are having terrific seasons. We again have 5 women's teams competing in the North Shore Women's Tennis League, and 2 men's "Senior" teams competing in the Master's Division of the Men's Country Club League of Long Island.

Our Men's Senior Teams have once again had excellent seasons. Led by Captain Mike Sbeglia, the Casino Gold team finished in 1st place and earned the top seed in the playoffs. On July 28th they defeated a tough Cherry Valley squad to advance to the semi-final round. Captain Lou Fasano led the Casino Green team to the playoffs and coached them to a big victory over the Piquet Lane Tennis Club in the first round. This sets up an exciting semi-final match that will pit the Casino Greens vs. the Golds for the right to advance to the championship match. The gripping semi-finals match will be played at 5:30 on Tuesday, August 4th at the Casino.



August Special Events

The Casino is offering several special events in the month of August!



Join us for a beginner's Mahjong event series lead by Southern Mahjong Co. All events held in the Bar.

- 101: Monday, July 20, 6:30-9 pm (\$90)
- 102: Tuesday, July 21, 6:30-9 pm (\$80)
- 103: Tuesday, August 4, 6:30-9 pm (\$80)
- All 3: \$240

Event pricing includes lite bites. Alcohol available for purchase.
The Casino cancellation policy is in effect for this event.

RSVP on PlayByPoint:

- Sunday, July 19th for 101 / 102
- Friday, July 31st for 103

[Hosted by Lauren Sbeglia and Kerry Fischer](#)

Mixed Doubles Round Robin – August 7th

This season's final Mixed Doubles Round Robin is scheduled for Friday, August 7th from 5-10PM. Members can sign up for casual round robin tennis, with dinner and drinks served on the patio. Those who do not wish to play tennis can sign up for dinner and drinks only. The cost is \$65 per person, and reservations may be booked on the Play By Point app.

Family Day - August 9th

Our annual Family Day will be held on Sunday, August 9th from 5–8 PM, and will feature open play for families. Light fare will be served and the cost is \$60 *per family*. Please register using the PlayByPoint reservation system. Any questions may be directed to Patty Hamilton at (845) 323-9834.



New Member News

We are pleased to introduce our newest GC Casino members, Corby Welch and Diana Martins-Welch. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Corby and Diana.

Ladies Member Guest

Mark your calendars ladies!

The annual Ladies Member Guest event is scheduled for Friday, September 18th. Reservations for this event will open early on August 5th on PlayByPoint. With a limit of 32 participants (16 members and their guests) we expect this tournament to sell out quickly, so please be sure to register as soon as possible on Wednesday, August 5th.



The Senior Corner

Our club is fortunate to have many members that have enjoyed extraordinary athletic success and rich lives filled with impressive achievements in sports. Each month, this column features one of those senior members, and their interesting stories are shared for all to enjoy.



This month's column profiles Jon Leake, one of our club's most accomplished athletes. The full feature article on Jon can be found in **Part 2** of the August Newsletter, which is posted on the PlayByPoint app.

Parting Shots

Newsletter Contributions

We are always looking for member contributions to include in our monthly Newsletter. Your photos, articles, suggestions, team scores, tennis highlights, and all other club-related submissions are all welcomed. If you have anything you would like to submit for inclusion in a future newsletter, please email it to GCCasinoEditor@gmail.com.

Special Event Reservations

Member reservations are required for all special events, and may be booked on the PlayByPoint app, where more details are available, including prices and rosters

Friday Evening Patio Refreshments

The Casino will have staff available to serve drinks on summer Fridays (except for August 7th) from 5-9 PM through Labor Day weekend. Beer and wine will be available for purchase with a member chit signature, and light snacks of chips and pretzels will be provided. No reservations are needed – just come down and enjoy some cool refreshments with your fellow members on Friday evenings this summer.

Questions?

Do you have a question about The Casino? Please submit your question and we'll do our best to include it with an answer in our next newsletter. Email your questions to: GCCasinoEditor@gmail.com.

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