

Slade's Back with a 5 – 0 Win!

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Mike Slade's back, Jack, with a 5-1 win as the actual, factual team captain! Phil White insisted after the match that he was, "... just another player." Hmmm. The win came despite the fact that half the team was boozing it up at a surprise 65th birthday celebration for team member John Wilson in

Seward Park. Here's how it went down. (The match not the birthday party.)

Singles Matches

S1 Andrew Russin won in straight sets 6-2, 6-3 with his weaponized backhand cranking out winners left and right.



Nice line-up, Phil

S2 Dave Dederer eked out a win in a tense super tie-breaker giving up his first set 2-6 but then bouncing back to a 6-1 win in this second set and taking the super tie-break for a victory. A win in the super tie breaker turned out to be our team's favorite activity this week.

Doubles Matches

D1 Mike Slade and Scott "Thor" Lindblad had a tough first set but got past their opponents 7-6 and cruised to a 6-2 second set match winner.

D2 Phil White and Bill Campbell stumbled a bit in their first set going down 3-6 but then spiked back to a 7-5 win in their second set. They grabbed a 1-0 win in the ever popular super tie-breaker to come out on top and win in their match. Little did they know that Bill had just come back from tennis camp at Mauna Kea on the Big Island of Hawaii. Having played against him this week I was painfully aware of that fact myself.



I'll clarify the court reservation rules

D3 Scott Whelan and Dave Magee won their first set 6-3, then lost their second set 3-6 but came back 1-0 in our now customary super tie-breaker to win their match. Dave said after the match it was the best he had ever played in a USTA game and we congratulate him on a great win for the team.

After the Match

With great matches like this to watch it's truly a shame we don't have a viewing gallery for the indoor courts. The viewing gallery could be part of the Pro Shop expansion project if enough players told board members that it should be a definite part of that project.

If you want people to come and have a good time watching your USTA tennis matches, Tennis Week, Junior Program, Senior Indoors, UW NCAA or whatever you need to *advocate for the indoor viewing gallery with our board members and committee leaders*. People to email and talk to about it would be, for example,

Tonny Oswald, Bill Allen, Rich Senseney, Sarah Robinson, Alice Foreman,



George shows Mark hand signals

Buz Humphrey, Linda Whatley, Mary Battison, Diane Daggatt, and Chet Woodside. Dave Moffett has been particularly supportive of the project. So send off some emails and get some buzz going about it.

Finally, thanks to Phil White, er, I mean Mike Slade, for engineering this great victory against a fine Bellingham team. Our league season record now stands at 4-1 putting us in third place currently.

Link to STC Viewing Gallery Project Video

http://www.waszak.com/STC/STC_QT.htm

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