



Fall clinics with the exception of Cardio Tennis **WILL** meet on Monday, September 6th!



INDOOR CLINICS

Indoor programming at the Pickwick facility begins on September 27th.

Dead Net (dead net cord)



A situation when a player scores by inadvertently hitting the ball in such a way that it touches the upper cord of the net and rolls over to the other side; the player is said to have "gotten (caught) a dead net (dead net cord)" and considered to be lucky which is often expressly admitted by the player himself/herself.

"Greatness comes from repetition and repetition breeds habit."

Rick Witsken Burns Up the Court

Our very own **Rick Witsken** is swathing a path of tennis destruction across the United States!

MAY—Scottsdale, AZ: Rick competed in the USTA Men's 35 Hard Court Championships in Scottsdale, AZ at the Scottsdale Athletic Club. As an unseeded player, he smoked the competition all the way to the semi-finals. He lost to the #1 seed, and tournament champ (also ranked #3 in the world in 35's), Guillame Gauthier (TX) in the semi-finals 6-7,6-4,6-3. He beat the #4 seed, Jesse Ponzich (AZ) in the playoffs for 3rd and 4th place, winning 3rd place. **Matt Schiller** and Rick also won third place in the doubles competition.



AUGUST—St. Louis, MO: Rick captured the men's 35-and-over singles in the 84th Public Parks Tennis Championships at the Dwight Davis Center in St. Louis. Rick and **Winn Criswell** also won the 35 doubles and open doubles titles.

SEPTEMBER—Philadelphia, PA: Rick heads to Philadelphia next week for the USTA NATIONAL Men's 30, 35, & 70 Grass Court Championships. This championship takes place September 7-13. Keep abreast of the results on the [USTA's Tennis Link](#).

Welcome Drew and Megan!

Team Witsken welcomes two new members of our team. **Coach Drew Schmelzer** joined our pros in the spring and will continue to coach and teach as we move indoors. **Megan Brimmer** is the Assistant to the Director and our Marketing Director. Emails for Drew and Megan are drew@teamwitsken.com and megan@teamwitsken.com

Team Witsken Tennis Tip



This tip is for high school players and coaches as the season kicks into high gear. We all have every match circled on our calendar and want to win those at all costs. However, one thing that we seem to forget is the importance of practice. While we have done lots of preparation in the summer, having the same habits while in season is of the utmost importance.

"Greatness comes from repetition and repetition breeds habit."

Every practice should be focused, intense and most of all habitual. Begin every practice with a couple laps and a stretching routine. This will get you warmed up. A relaxed crosscourt warm up will help doubles players ease into practice sets, and singles players will develop a rhythm early in a practice session.

If we practice the way we play the result will prove positive for a high school player, team and coach. It will also help to build a system that can be around in a tennis program for years to come.

Coach Drew

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"The serve was invented so that the net could play."

Bill Cosby

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WINTER PROGRAMMING ANNOUNCED

Team Witsken recently announced programming for the 2010-11 Winter Season. Indoor clinics are held at the [Pickwick Indoor Facility](#) located at 1130 Racquet Club North Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46260. Details may be found online at www.teamwitsken.com or by clicking [here](#). Flyers are also available through any of the Team Witsken staff and also may be found in the lobby at Pickwick.

SCHEDULED CLINICS

We are offering clinics for players of all ages and abilities. For juniors, we have Tiny Tots (ages 3-4), Mighty Mites (ages 5-6), Top Notch (ages 7-9), Top Gun (ages 10-12) as well as clinics for Middle School and High School students. Elite Junior clinics are available for players approved by the Team Witsken pros. For adults, we have several Cardio Tennis and Instructional clinic options.

CREATE-A-CLINIC

If you don't see what you're looking for on our indoor schedule, contact us about creating a clinic that fits your schedule and needs.

PRIVATE LESSONS

All of our pros teach private lessons. More details may be found online or by clicking [here](#).

SEASON COURT PASS

You may rent a court for the indoor season by talking with Rick Witsken. Season court rentals will depend on clinic scheduling and court availability. If you are interested in this, act quickly.

COURT RENTAL

You may rent a court at Pickwick for \$20/hour by checking with our office. Please call 848-2023 to see what is available.

BALL MACHINE

Rent our ball machine for \$5/hour to improve your strokes or to try a new grip or racquet. Court rental fee is required.

**CONTACTING TEAM WITSKEN and the INDY TENNIS LEAGUE**

A new email has been set up for general questions about Team Witsken and the Indy Tennis League. Please send your inquiries to info@teamwitsken.com. You may also phone the Pickwick Indoor Facility at (317) 848-2023. We have recently set up remote access to this phone line and will be able to get back to you more quickly.

**Team Witsken Wins 2010 Midwest Junior Team Tennis Invitational!**

Congratulations to Grant Eibling, Zach Shue, Eddie Lin, Brian Kidd, Ryan Bailey, Nick and Christopher LaNeve, Patrick Farrell, Adam Mandel, Tyler Hornback, Parker Hershberger, Samantha Cunningham, Kelly Mattingly, Amy Brentlinger, Linnea Peters, Andrea Middleton, and Alaina Finkelmeier for representing Team Witsken at the 2010 Midwest Junior Team Tennis Invitational in St. Louis, MO over the summer. Team Witsken competed against teams from St. Louis, Chicago, Dayton, and Columbus, OH and finished at the top with 4 wins and 1 loss. Way to go! See detailed results [here](#).

INDY TENNIS LEAGUE ... ITL www.indytennisleague.com**MEN'S WINTER LEAGUE**

Winter Session I runs for 8 weeks beginning on Sunday, November 7th. The last matches of the regular season will be on December 19th with playoffs on Sunday, January 9th.

Winter Session II begins on Sunday, January 16th.



All Men's League play will be on Sunday evenings at Carmel Racquet Club. Cost for each session is \$100 and includes balls, a t-shirt, and court rental. Sign up online and download the league flyers at : www.indytennisleague.com

WOMEN'S FALL LEAGUE

The Women's Fall League began play on Wednesday, August 25. We have more than 40 women competing each week at three levels. For more information about this league contact Linda Pritz at:

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