

Adult League Captain of the Quarter

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WHAT DO I LOVE ABOUT BEING A CAPTAIN?

Giving people an opportunity to play a sport they love! I really do love the game and I love to see others having fun, competing, and learning through tennis. One of my dear friends and I captained a 2.5 team two years ago for some friends of ours that had just started playing tennis. They had no idea where to start out with league play, and it can be intimidating to start a new sport as well as trying to figure out how to captain. They are all still going strong two years later and even played at State last year!

FAVORITE TENNIS MEMORY?

A few years ago my 18 & Over 3.5 team went to state with only 8 players to fill our lineups throughout the weekend. Everyone had to play every match (with heat indexes often over 100 degrees), it was brutal! But, I can't tell you how much fun we had! We gave it our all every match; people were volunteering for singles who weren't singles players. People were cramping, then recovering and playing again two hours later. We all just did whatever we needed to do and was best for the team! My mom was on that team, and she even volunteered for a singles match when we needed her! It was so special to be able to play with my mom as a partner several times that weekend! By the time we reached the final, none of us had anything left in the tank, but once again, each one went out and gave it all they had. We came up short in the end, but I wouldn't trade it for the world. We played some awesome tennis, made some amazing memories, and deepened our friendships. It was a weekend we all still remember!