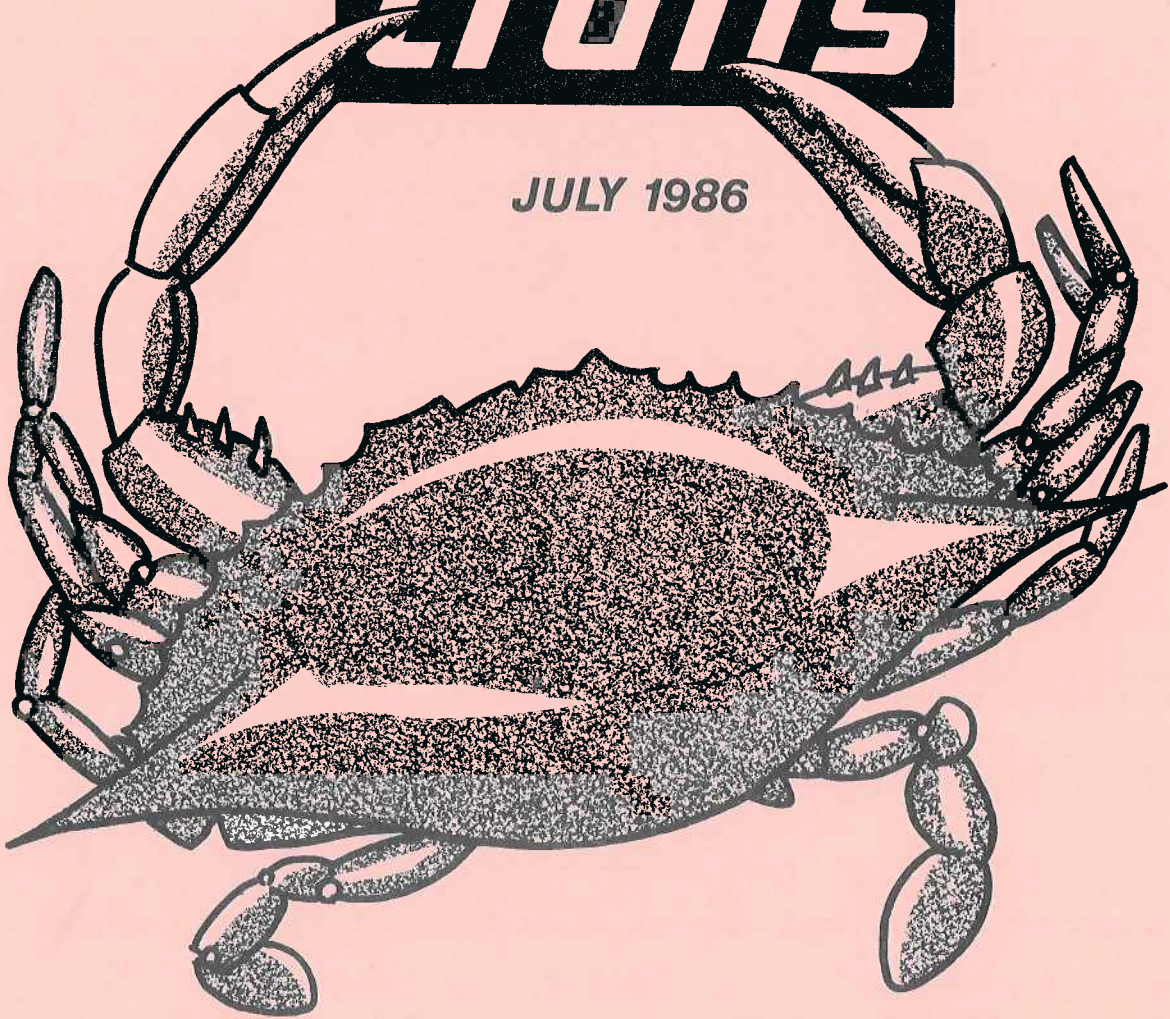


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Coming: TRURO'S TRADITIONAL  
SHRIMP & CRAB FEAST



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**Annual Shrimp-Crab Feast Scheduled for Aug. 2**

By Anne Marshall

**ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE'S  
NEW CHAIRMAN IS DON MCCUBBIN; SUE  
OLESCH RESIGNING AS THA SECRETARY**

Don McCubbin, of 4202 Ann Fitz Hugh Drive, was recently appointed chairman of the Truro Homes Association's Architectural Control Committee, replacing Mary Johnson, who resigned in March. Meanwhile, Sue Olesch, of 4314 Ann Fitz Hugh Drive, THA secretary for the past two and a half years, has announced that she will be retiring from that position "as soon as possible."

Don and his family--wife Jane and their four children, Colleen, Deidre, Courtney and Craig--have been Truro residents since August 1983. Don's predecessor, Mary Johnson of 8712 Mary Lee Lane, had headed the Architectural Control Committee since her appointment in September 1983. Before that she had been THA president (1980) and Truro swim team representative (1976-8). The Johnsons--Mary, husband Don, and their children, Laura and Ken--are long-time Truro residents.

Sue Olesch and her family--husband Ron and daughters Elizabeth, Emily and Heidi--came to Truro from Germany in November 1983. Sue was appointed THA secretary in January 1984, replacing Joyce Sewell, of 4401 Newdale Drive.

Anyone interested in filling the position of THA secretary being vacated by Sue is asked to contact THA President Patty Clark at 425-9561. The secretary attends monthly meetings of the association's Board of Directors, as well as general membership meetings, and records the minutes of these meetings.

Truro's big summer social event, the annual Shrimp and Crab Feast, is set for Saturday, August 2, at the Truro Community Center--and you're all invited to come and enjoy this evening of feasting and fun.

The price for the evening remains the same as last year. One pound of medium spiced shrimp is \$19, while a combination of Chesapeake all-male crabs and a half-pound of spiced shrimp is \$17. Beer, iced tea, cole slaw, baked beans and melon are also provided.

After the feast you can dance under the stars to a live band.

The flyer distributed with last month's Truro Trails contains a reservation form for those wishing to attend. Reservations are due by July 25. Please mail the reservation form and your check to me at 8618 Ordinary Way. Space is limited to 125 persons.

We look forward to seeing many of you at this special, traditional highlight of the Truro social season. Come join us!

**THE COVER**

Although the 1986 version of Truro's traditional Shrimp and Crab Feast is still a month or so away, its scheduling is such that we have to tout it now or never--next month's issue would be too late. So enjoy the cover, read about the event in the story above, mail in your reservation form sent out by flyer last month, and enjoy yourself on August 2.

**FROM THE BOARD**

By Sue Olesch

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
JUNE 1986

The Board of Directors of the Truro Homes Association met at the Truro Community Center on June 10, 1986. Present were Patty Clark, Steve Barber, John Post, Jim Bergstrom and Sue Olesch.

The minutes of the May 1986 meeting were read and approved. Sue Olesch, secretary, is resigning this position as soon as possible. Anyone wishing to work with the board as secretary should contact Patty Clark, president.

The opening of the pool this season went well. The board especially thanks Jim Baker, facilities manager, and his staff for once again having the facility ready and well maintained. Social Committee Chairman Anne Marshall's beer and soda party on opening day was enjoyed by all, and the board thanks her, too.

Special requests/considerations from several TCC members were discussed and decided upon; Patty Clark will inform those members of the board's decisions.

As of this meeting, 16 TCC members have not paid their 1986 user fees. Late notices will be sent out this week as a follow-up to telephone calls previously made. Ten TCC members wish to lease out their memberships, but at present there are no lessees.

There was some discussion on the time frame that a TCC member and record keeper have to try to sell a membership before the THA buys it back. The board decided that the

member should notify the record keeper in writing of his desire to sell his TCC membership. If, after six months from the date of this written notice, the membership has not been sold, the THA will buy it back less the administrative fee.

The Little Run Civic Association has asked once again that the Truro community help defray the cost of fireworks for the 4th of July celebration. This cost was incorporated into the 1986 budget, which was approved by the community in January 1986. Accordingly, the board will request the treasurer to send a check to the LRCA.

Steve Barber will invite John Brennan, Park Committee chairman, to attend the next board meeting to discuss his committee's maintenance schedule, equipment, etc.

Steve Barber is still seeking candidates for the two board positions which will become vacant in September due to Patty Clark's and Jim Bergstrom's terms expiring. Anyone wishing to become a candidate or to nominate a candidate should contact Steve.

Don McCubbin is the THA's new Architectural Control Committee chairman. The board welcomes and supports him in his efforts to enforce the THA covenants.

Jim Bergstrom had a meeting with those interested in the Ad Hoc Architectural Control Committee, which is now organized and will have meetings periodically.

At about 4 a.m. on June 8 the pool and grounds were vandalized, with trash, chairs and glass being thrown into the pool. Although no permanent damage was done, the pool was closed for about an hour on Sunday for clean-up, which was very efficiently and capably accomplished by

our pool staff. The board, on behalf of the community, is most appreciative of the staff and requests that all residents be alert for any unusual sounds or activities, not only at the TCC but throughout the community, and notify the proper authorities.

OFFICIAL  
**THA**  
NOTICE

School is out and the board wants to remind motorists in Truro to observe residential speed limits and to be aware that unmarked police cars will be patrolling the area.

The next board meeting will be at 8 p.m. on July 9, 1986, at the TCC.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

## FROM THE COMMITTEES

### **PARK COMMITTEE**

By John Brennan

Summer is the time when use of the park paths is at its peak; they provide easy access to the pool and tennis courts. Unfortunately, bicycles and skateboards compete with pedestrians for use of the paths. Bicycles and skateboards are allowed in the park, but when moving at high speed they represent a real danger to anyone on the path, including other bicyclists and skateboarders. I have had bicycles pass me on the path going at very high speed and with no warning of their approach. Parents must emphasize to their children the danger of speeding in the park or a serious accident is inevitable.

I'm sure that Truro residents prefer dog owners to use the park for walking their dogs rather than the sidewalk or lawns. However, I'm

also certain that it would be greatly appreciated if the dog walker would coax the dog to use an area other than a park path. Dog droppings on the path are unpleasant and in view of the many small children using the path represent a health hazard.

Wanted: teenagers interested in earning spending money by performing odd jobs in the park such as grass cutting, emptying trash cans, etc. Anyone interested should contact me at 978-2622.

## **Neighborhood Watch**

By Dick Yates

### Vandalism in Truro

The warm weather has brought out the vandals again. At least three street signs are gone, the Truro pool has been vandalized several times (chairs, a clock and trash cans--full of trash--were thrown in the pool, and bottles broken), and a vehicle damaged with shaving cream and shampoo. We all need to be watchful and try to identify the individuals who are doing the damage.

The lost street signs cost the county (you, as a taxpayer) approximately \$100 to replace (a double sign). If you see a sign damaged or missing, don't depend on someone else to report it. If you care, call 691-2944 during business hours and report it. If you find a street sign in your son's room or in the parkland, please return it to me and I'll recycle it, no questions asked. Missing signs are not only an inconvenience; it might also take an extra minute or so for an emergency vehicle to get to your home.

The Truro pool belongs--literally--to all of us. Vandalism to the clubhouse, pool or surrounding area

costs all of us money and may result in a temporary closure for clean-up. The incident mentioned above, where extensive clean-up was required, occurred early on Sunday morning, June 8, and is believed to have been the work of a group of teenagers on skateboards. A group of eight teenagers (13-16) were observed nearby at 3:30 a.m. that morning. If your son has a skateboard, do you know where he was at that time? We have had situations in Truro in the past where teenage boys have gone to great lengths to slip out of their beds, unnoticed by their parents, and go out on the streets at very late hours. Anyone who is caught trespassing or vandalizing the pool (and two youths were apprehended trespassing in the early morning hours of June 12) will be prosecuted. All of you, particularly those living close to the pool, can help. Observe the pool, particularly very late at night. There will never be a clubhouse or pool party after 1 a.m., so if you see or hear someone there it will be either vandals or "pool watchers," which we have from time to time. If in doubt, call the police.

Shaving cream and shampoo on a vehicle may sound like harmless fun, but one Truro resident found that it does stain the painted finish of a vehicle. Please tell your kids. It is not funny.

#### When You're Away

A quote from the Fairfax County police: "Secure your home before you leave. Connect timers to lights and to a radio. Arrange for a trusted friend or neighbor to pick up mail and newspapers. Arrange for lawn mowing. Have a neighbor put out a trash can or bag on pick-up day. In other words, make it look like someone is home during that time." And do not leave your outside lights on unless they are on a timer.

#### Peeping Tom

There have been no arrests yet, but the artist's sketch in Truro Trails was shown by a Truro resident to a co-worker who lives in Fairfax City who had a peeping tom incident. That resulted in contact between the two police departments in the case.

#### Swordfish Bumper Stickers

These stickers on the rear bumpers of your vehicles are strictly voluntary (and free), but they immediately identify your vehicles as "belonging" in Truro, in the eyes of another Truro resident. If we all had them on our bumpers, it would be a discreet way of making the visiting or suspicious vehicle worth a second look. Call me, and stop by to pick them up (and leave your name and number as a Neighborhood Watch volunteer).

#### Be Suspicious

You are the eyes and ears of the Neighborhood Watch and the police, 24 hours a day, whether you are glancing out the window to check the weather, working in the yard, jogging, or driving to the store. If you see an individual or vehicle and "something doesn't seem right," that is all you need to call the police (non-emergency, 691-2131--or emergency, such as a crime in progress, 911). Let the police operator be the judge of whether there is anything more important going on in the area at the time. There may be two patrol cars on the scene in minutes, for a seemingly small thing, if they don't have a serious incident at the moment. And remember, when you report something, the statistics add up and influence patrol car patterns and where officers are concentrated. A greater police presence in Truro can only benefit us. And, of course, let me know after you call the police, so I can keep track of our

problem areas.

Volunteers

The Neighborhood Watch "force" is getting smaller. How about some of you newcomers giving me a call, and I'll tell you what we do and how infrequently we need your help. We have day and night watches, but the frequency of patrols depends directly on the number of volunteers we have. As an added benefit, several hours in a vehicle with a different neighbor each time gives you a chance to meet people from all over Truro, and to learn about the street layout of Truro. Call me at 978-8318. And many thanks to my current volunteers.

**CLASSIFIED**

FOR RENT--Beach house, ocean front, Nags Head, NC. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, sleeps 10. Ideal for 2 families to share. AC/heat, dishwasher, washer/dryer, fireplace, sun deck, telephone, CATV hook-up. Come down and enjoy the beautiful fall season on the Outer Banks. Call 978-2657.

FOR SALE--4303 Ann Fitz Hugh Dr., 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2-car garage, security system, screened porch. 8½% VA assumable mortgage. 978-2891.

WANTED--Car pool driver/rider to Rosslyn, 8-5, free parking. 978-7529.

FOR SALE--JMC BMX race bike, Araya rims, Suntour equipped, 19½ lbs., needs cranks, \$150 firm. 323-0670.

FOR SALE--Solid mahogany V-shaped bar with 5 matching chairs. 323-1509.

WANTED--Rider for super van pool to D.C., leaves Truro at 7:55 a.m. Call Gay Boone, 272-6740 (work) or 425-5394 (home).

## Foxes in Truro? Yes!

By Jerry Taylor

Heads up and cats in! There are foxes in our woods--at least two. They have been seen repeatedly on our patio at 4209 Ann Fitz Hugh Dr. The two that have been seen, singly and together, are mature animals of good size. They are not the small red fox variety, but are large brown and gray wily foxes. They scarf down peanuts left for squirrels and have done some minor excavation looking for moles.

Here's what the game warden says:

- The reduction in raccoons attendant to the rabies problem in the past two years has made more food available for the foxes, and they have multiplied. Removal/eradication of the raccoons is about complete; they are ready to start on foxes.

- The demand for trapping and removal of foxes is growing in the county, and the wait for traps is about six weeks. We are on the list. (Let's get the foxes moved to the Shenandoah!)

- Foxes are a serious threat to cats. Missing a cat lately? If so, maybe another call to the game warden (Fairfax Animal Control, 830-3310) to put a little urgency on traps for Truro may be in order. If you own a cat, it might be advisable to keep a closer eye on the little fellow as it visits the woods. We do have foxes in Truro.

We will keep you advised. Additionally, if you see these critters you might want to report the sighting to me at 425-7584 so that the traps can be put in the area of highest probability of success--which, as of now, is my own patio.

# Area Transportation Needs Aired at Meeting

By Shirley Dambowic

Truro residents concerned about the transportation needs of the area--particularly bus connections to the new Metrorail line--got some encouragement in June from Annandale District Supervisor Audrey Moore.

At a meeting at the Truro Community Center on June 4, Audrey told an interested audience of the many problems which have followed the rapid growth of the district and all of Fairfax County. We have grown from an agricultural community to a burgeoning hub outside a major city. Where there would normally be a gradual increase in services to a community, we have had accelerated growth which has caused a boom in the building of homes, industry, road construction, transportation, etc. As more roads are built to meet these needs, there is a constant need to widen them, provide safe pedestrian and cycling paths, and control traffic patterns.

Audrey has been a proponent of these programs, particularly the road system expansion on Braddock Road, Prosperity Avenue and Guinea Road. She is also concerned about the rail system which would link the outlying areas of Fredericksburg and Manassas with the Washington area. She indicated that she would help us with a proposal for a community bus connection to Metrorail.

Paul Smith, of the county's Office of Transportation, spoke of the various modifications that have taken place recently with the opening of Metrorail stations in Vienna and Dunn Loring, and of the possibilities of rerouting present bus lines to take into consideration the needs of those in the Guinea Road and Truro area, where service has never been provided.

Truro residents who attended the meeting expressed various viewpoints on their transit needs. Some want direct routes from Little River Turnpike to the Pentagon, some felt there should be some sort of connect-or service to the Vienna stations as well as the Pentagon, and others suggested service should be provided to various shopping centers or malls, and also expressed the need for both weekday and weekend service.

In order to get some action on these proposals, we need to get your input to indicate just how many people in the Truro community and Guinea Road corridor are interested in a convenient bus system. The only way to make the required impact is to respond to the transportation survey form being distributed with this issue of Truro Trails. Please fill out the form and return it to me at 4104 Yerkes Place.

Even if you're a confirmed driver or chauffeur, your assistance in responding to this survey could make Truro an even better community.

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# Swim, Dive Teams Win Openers



## Swim Team..By Janice Armstrong

The Truro Swordfish opened their NVSL season with a 211-191 win over High Point--a great start for a small but mighty team.

The team this year is small but quick. We lack the depth of past years, but there are new record setters emerging. With excellent coaching and the usual faithful parental support, the team is off to a fine start. The swimmers are learning the value of sportsmanship, hard work and cooperative effort to achieve both personal goals and a common goal.

If you haven't already signed up, please do so now. Registration is always open. Call me at 978-0429 before 9 p.m.

Thank you to the non-swimming families who are letting us close the pool for meets on these dates:

- Saturday, July 5, until noon.
- Saturday, July 12, until 1 p.m.
- Saturday, July 26, until 2 p.m.

## Dive Team.....By Cynthia Weller

June 24 marked the debut of the Truro dive team in an exciting meet against Ravensworth. At the end of

five events the score was tied, 22-22, with only the senior boys event remaining. Andrew Welham and Vince Molseed rose to the task by taking 1st and 2nd places, respectively, thus ensuring a Truro victory. The final score of the meet was Truro-30, Ravensworth-23.

Divers scoring for Truro were:

- Junior Girls: Dana Weller (1st) and Kelly Stafford (2nd).
- Junior Boys: Pat McNulty (2nd) and David Perrine (3rd).
- Intermediate Girls: Suzie Clark (1st) and Erin Frey (2nd).
- Intermediate Boys: Chris Norris (3rd).
- Senior Girls: Heather Perrine (3rd).
- Senior Boys: Andrew Welham (1st) and Vince Molseed (2nd).

Congratulations to all divers, both official and unofficial, and to Coach Liz Shaw, who has worked hard to prepare the divers for the season.

As the dive team representative, I would like to commend all the divers on their performances, their team spirit, and their dedication. Keep it up!

## Tennis.....By Lottie Buhain

Junior clinics are in full swing, thanks to our pro, Rusty Mirasol, and chairmen Diane Perrine and Chris Shultis. Rusty is available for private lessons and can be reached at 292-3765.

Truro has several tennis teams--ladies, men and juniors. During home matches, all four courts are used, and we would appreciate it if nobody uses the courts until all of

NOTE TO SWIMMERS AND DIVERS

All swimmers and divers who participate in the NVSL as leasing members have all the rights and priveleges of full members. However, when their family's name comes up on the list for buying a membership, they must purchase that membership or lose NVSL eligibility.

the matches are over. Private lessons for children should be scheduled with the pro before 5:30 p.m. A family can sign up for only one hour of court time each day.

Junior boys 1986 schedule:

July 2.....WGCC at Truro  
 July 9.....Truro at Regency  
 July 16....Reston at Truro  
 July 23....Truro at Great Falls  
 July 30....Chesterbrook at Truro

### **Junior Tennis**....By Diane Perrine

We had an overwhelming response to our junior tennis program. Group lessons from our pro, Rusty, have become so popular that we had to extend our classes from seven to nine hours a week. We are completely filled with 81 children enrolled and there is also a waiting list. For those of you who were unable to get into a class, please remember to sign up early next year. We always have a sign-up day early in May.

Ladders have already been formed for the more experienced players. If anyone's name was omitted from the ladder who feels he/she is ready for ladder play, please read the rules about challenges. All you have to do is challenge someone on the ladder.

If you are challenged--or challenging someone--please show up. We have had several incidents where players failed to show. Remember, it is rude not to show up for a scheduled match. It is not fair to the person who came to play. If this practice continues, a person may be removed from the ladder permanently. Let's remember good etiquette and sportsmanship.

### Junior Team Matches

Junior teams are made up from those kids on the ladder. There is

a match every Wednesday. The teams also travel to clubs throughout the area. Parents are most welcome at the matches.

Our first match was a great success for the boys as they beat Tuckahoe, 7-2. We would like to call attention to the doubles team of John Promersberger and Marc Lieberman, who in their first competitive match downed their opponents, 10-7, in a 12-year-old match. Also, first timer Pat McNulty, playing second singles in the 12-year-old bracket, found himself down, 2-9, but fought back gamely and turned the match into an exciting one before succumbing, 10-6. Other results are as follows:

#### 12-Year-Old

- 1st Singles: Quang Le won, 10-5.
- 2nd Singles: Pat McNulty lost, 6-10.
- Doubles: John Promersberger and Marc Lieberman won, 10-7.

#### 14-Year-Old

- 1st Singles: David Perrine won, 10-2.
- 2nd Singles: Eric Hanson won, 10-5.
- Doubles: Marc Alterman and Brett Lackey won, 10-2.

#### 16-Year-Old

- 1st Singles: David Shultis won, 10-4.
- 2nd Singles: Hal Bame lost, 4-10.
- Doubles: Andrew Lockhart and Dung Le won, 10-4.

Meanwhile, the girls lost to Cardinal Hills, 3-6. The 14-year-olds won two of their matches, with Missy Shultis winning first singles, 10-5, while the doubles team of Gaby Essen and Polly Biddle won, 10-3. The other team success occurred in the 12-year-old category, where Ginny Magoulis won her second singles match, 10-1.

# TruPro's Corner

By Rusty Mirasol



In view of all that has been said about me and my past achievement, teaching experience, and future tennis development here at Truro, let me begin by extending my personal thanks to those responsible for selecting me as your 1986 TruPro. I'm delighted and excited because I've met so many nice people already--not only those who play tennis regularly, but also those who work at the Community Center, and some parents whom I've known before.

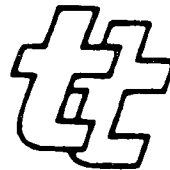
The Truro community, though small, is big in tennis. I could hardly believe the number of kids who signed up for tennis lessons. My first week of teaching, working and practicing with the teams was an overwhelming experience, because I have trouble remembering names. But after a while I could call everyone by his/her first name. I'm sure you'll get to know me better as you watch me in lessons, drills and workouts. These are the backbone of my teaching career. With your cooperation, daily attendance and active participation, we will have a successful program. For my part, I will give a 100 percent effort to make my method of teaching effective, efficient and easy to learn. In that way we can have better understanding between students and myself.

Play has started in the NVTL, and all of our teams seem to be doing well. Playing on a team requires a great deal of involvement--practicing sound strokes, a variety of shots, and basic strategies for both singles and doubles match play. In singles play there's no one to rely

on but yourself, so it's entirely up to you to make every shot count. In doubles, however, partners must communicate constantly for better court coverage and shot handling. If the right ingredients are put together and followed, our teams will win more matches and the play will be more enjoyable for all.

In closing, a word about grips. There are the Eastern, Western, Semi-Western, Australian and Continental. Each has its own use. If you'd like to know more about them, call me at 292-3765--no charge. And if you'd like private lessons, they're just \$18 an hour. Other fees are broken down according to the number of students per group.

Thanks again--and keep stroking.



## this and that . .

The Truro community was saddened to learn of the death of Gail Price, of 8703 Chippendale Court, on June 23. Gail had been involved in many Truro activities, and in volunteer work at Wakefield Forest Elementary School. The community's sympathy is extended to her husband, Neil, and their son, Adrian.

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