09/16/2016 - BOG #2016-6 - Jim Light

We are saddened to announce that Jim Light has decided to depart Fawn Lake Country Club at the end of this tennis season and has accepted the position of Director of Tennis at the Rappahannock Area YMCA.

We were lucky to have Jim as our very first full-time tennis professional hired by Fawn Lake Country Club in 2013. He worked tirelessly to develop our tennis program over the last four years. Under his guidance and stewardship, the club's tennis community has grown in terms of number of players, variety of programs, and depth of playing abilities. We now have Men's and Women's USTA teams, hosting over 60 matches in the past two years. Jim has offered Friday night junior tennis socials twice a month which attract more than 20 youth every session and have been highly appreciated by kids and parents alike. Cardio tennis, HITS classes, and ladies team practices were well attended, averaging more than 20 participants a week. Jim hosted successful championship tournament ladders, Member-Guest tournaments, Sip 'N Serve adult socials, and various other adult events. As a fitting final event, Jim will host Fawn Lake's first ever USTA sanctioned Youth Tournament in October, attracting youth from around the state to experience Fawn Lake's superior clay courts.

The success of our tennis program is a reflection of Jim's love of the game and passion for encouraging and teaching members of all ages and abilities to learn, to improve, to play and to enjoy tennis. Jim will remain as Fawn Lake's head pro until the courts close in November so please continue to take advantage of his lessons, clinics, and socials.

The FLCC board will form a search committee to hire a replacement for the vacated position and to lead our program. We will provide you with periodic updates with our progress. We will also provide details on a farewell party for Jim when it has been planned.

Jim will be sorely missed by the tennis community and the many friends he has made on and off the tennis courts. Please join us in thanking Jim for all that he has done for us. We congratulate him and wish him the best of luck in his new role as the YMCA's Director of Tennis.

Thank you,

Your Board of Directors