



2012

NESQUIK® "Little Mo" International Open

Date: Sunday, August 19 - Saturday, August 25, 2012

Site: The West Side Tennis Club
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Entry Fee: \$200 per player (Fee includes singles and doubles). Online registration fee (\$3) will be added. Entry fee is non-refundable after July 1. Registration is online: www.mcbtennis.org. Click on Tournaments and scroll to the NESQUIK® "Little Mo" Internationals - Forest Hills button. The entry fee covers the cost of the courts, balls, umpires, t-shirts, trophies, player party, etc. (A portion of the fee also comes back to the foundation to further junior tennis development which is tax deductible.)

<u>Deadline for singles entries</u>: Wednesday, August 1 at 12:00 pm noon (Eastern time)

Eligibility: For 12 & under: Players born on or after January 1, 2000

For 11 & under: Players born on or after January 1, 2001 For 10 & under: Players born on or after January 1, 2002 For 9 & under: Players born on or after January 1, 2003 For 8 & under: Players born on or after January 1, 2004

Events: Boys and Girls 12 & under, 11 & under, 10 & under, 9 & under, and 8 & under.

All matches on full court with yellow ball.

Format /Draw Size: Main Draw Singles (32 draw) in each division Boys and Girls 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 with First Match Loser Consolation. All matches on full court with yellow ball. Players are guaranteed at least 2 matches in singles. *Entries based on first come, first served.* Alternate list will begin after the first 32 places have been filled. Scoring: Best two out of three tie-break sets with a 10 point match tie-break in lieu of a third set for main draw singles and first match loser consolation. Regular scoring. 5 min. warmup

Doubles (16 teams) in each division Boys and Girls 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 with single elimination. All matches on full court with yellow ball. Doubles sign up on Sunday, August 19 from 12-3:30pm and Monday, August 20 from 12-5pm at the Rose Garden tent at The West Side Tennis Club. Both players must be present to sign in together to play as a team and be entered in the same age division as singles. Only players who are entered in singles can sign up for doubles. *Entries based on first come, first served*. Doubles entries close on Monday, August 20 at 5pm. Doubles matches will start on Wednesday afternoon, August 22. Scoring: Best two out of three tie-break sets with a 10 point match tie-break in lieu of a third set. Regular scoring. 5 min. warmup.

* In case of rain, shortened scoring may be used. Saturday, August 25 is the rain date.

<u>Practice Courts</u>: Sign up for practice courts available at player check-in at the Rose Garden tent at The West Side Tennis Club. Practice times: Sunday, August 19 from 12:30pmm - 3:30pm and 5:00pm - 7:00pm based on first come, first served. Players may need to share courts, if necessary. During the tournament: 7:00am - 9:00am and 1:00pm - 7:00 pm Monday - Friday. Sign in at the TD desk. First come, first served. (no phone in reservations, please.)

Surface: Clay Babolat Roland Garros (all court) **Stringing**: \$20 with your own string

<u>Match time</u>: First match times will be available on www.mcbtennis.org. Click on Tournaments and scroll to Nesquik "Little Mo" Internationals - Forest Hills button. Only first match times will be posted prior to the tournament. The draws will be posted on Sunday afternoon, August 19 at The West Side Tennis Club and on www.mcbtennis.org.

<u>Trophies</u>: Trophies will be awarded to main draw singles winners, runners-up and 3rd/4th place in each division and consolation winners and runners-up. In doubles, trophies to winners and runners-up. Sportsmanship awards will also be given.

<u>Tennis Attire</u>: In keeping with tradition, players must wear "all white" tennis clothes while on court (for practice and matches). This includes hats, visors, sweatbands, socks, warmups & outerwear (jackets, sweater). 10% colored trim is allowed. Shoes must be at least 50% white. Parents and coaches who are on court with players in practice must adhere to the "all white" rule. "All white" clothing rule will be enforced.

<u>Hotels</u>: If you want to stay close to The West Side Tennis Club (less than 5 miles)

Pan American Hotel: 79-00 Queens Blvd., Elmhurst, NY 11373

Single bed/Double beds: \$105/night

Click **here** for reservations

Complimentary shuttle to and from West Side Tennis Club (daily) -- Shuttle is only for players staying at the hotel. Also, complimentary airport pickup from LaGuardia and JFK. (For return to airport: \$10 fee/person over age 12) and complimentary parking at hotel. Approximately 15 minutes by cab to Midtown Manhattan.

To make your reservation, please call: (800) 937-7374. A room block has been reserved. To receive the special rate when making your reservation, mention the "Little Mo" tennis tournament. If you would like to arrive early or stay for the U.S. Open, the special rates will be extended at the same rate based on availability. Please make your reservation early as rooms will fill up fast - especially rooms with double beds and if you plan to stay for the U.S. Open. The cut -off date for the room block is **Wednesday**. **August 1 at 5:00 pm** (Eastern time).

If you want to stay "in the city" near Times Square:

Affinia Shelburne: 303 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10016

Single bed: \$169/night Double beds: \$199/night

Click **here** for reservations

<u>Affinia Dumont:</u> 150 East 34th Street, New York, NY 10016

Single bed/Double beds (all suites with kitchen): \$199/night

Click **here** for reservations

Affinia Manhattan: 371 7th Avenue, New York, NY 10001

Double beds: \$199/night Click **here** for reservations

To make your reservation, please call: (866) 233-4642 or reservations@affinia.com. A room block has been reserved with special discounted rates at each hotel. To receive the special rate, mention the "Little Mo" tennis tournament and the Affinia hotel you prefer. If you would like to arrive early or stay for the U.S. Open, the special rates will be extended for three days prior to the 19th and three days after the 23rd based on availability. Please make your reservation early as rooms will fill up fast-especially rooms with double beds and if you plan to stay for the U.S.Open. The cut- off date for the room block at each Affinia hotel is Thursday, July 19 at 5:00 pm (Eastern time). If you are trying to make your reservation after the cut off date or you don't receive the special rate, please go ahead and book your room and then, email your reservation to cartennis@aol.com. We will contact the hotel to have your rate lowered.

<u>Player Party</u>: A party for players and parents will be held at the historic Forest Hills lawn tennis area (Rose Garden tent) on Tuesday, August 21 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

<u>Player Gift Exchange</u>: It is a tradition with the "Little Mo" that players exchange a small gift with their first round opponent in singles. The gift should be \$5 - \$10 and represent your city or country. The gifts are exchanged before the players walk on court before their first match. Players always remember their gift from someone from another city or country.

T-shirt: All players will receive a "Little Mo" t-shirt.

<u>Tournament Director</u>: Bob Ingersole <u>Tournament Referee</u>: Rollie Shea - ITF white badge

Tournament Chairman: Carol Weyman MCB office: (214) 754-7065 or email: Cartennis@aol.com

Schedule of Events

The West Side Tennis Club has graciously allowed the "Little Mo" players to play at their historic club and we ask all of our guests to be respectful to the club members and the grounds. Please be sure to not walk or play on the grass courts or leave any trash. We appreciate your cooperation.

<u>Parking</u>: Parking is extremely limited at The West Side Tennis Club. We recommend taking the train or cab. Please be sure to park in the designated club parking lots and not on the surrounding streets, as they are private and your car might be towed. Also, the Pan American Hotel will have daily shuttles to and from the site but you must be a guest at the hotel to take the shuttle.

Sunday, August 19

12:00 - 3:30 pm - Player check-in and pick-up tournament packet at The West Side Tennis Club - Rose Garden tent – *mandatory*. All players need to sign in and present a copy of their birth certificate or passport to be included in the tournament.

Doubles sign-up: Both players must be present to sign up as a team and in in the same age division in singles.

In the afternoon in the stadium, a "complimentary" 1 hour on-court clinic for all players with **Anne Smith,** former pro player (10-time Grand Slam doubles and mixed doubles champion)

12:30 - 1:30 pm - Players age 8, 9 & 10 1:45 - 2:45 pm - Players age 11 & 12

12:30 & 1:30 & 2:30 pm - Guided tour of the historic West Side Tennis Club (15 minutes). Meet at the Rose Garden tent.

12:30 - 3:30 pm - Practice courts available 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Practice courts available

3:45 pm - Players line up for player parade on famous stadium court for opening ceremony - *mandatory*. Please wear "all white" tennis clothes (small logos ok). Hats, visors, sweatbands, socks, warmups & outerwear must be "all white". 10% colored trim is allowed. Shoes must be at least 50% white. *This rule will be strictly enforced*. Please leave your racquet bag with parent.

- 4:00 pm Players parade on stadium court with their country flag. (Please bring a small country flag to carry during the parade.)
- 4:15 5:00 pm Opening Ceremony Important tournament information will be given to players and parents *mandatory*. National anthem singer: Bea Alexandra
- 5:00 5:30 Indoor talk with Anne Smith, PH.D. at the West Side Tennis Club on mental toughness. Anne has a doctorate in educational psychology and was the mental training consultant for Harvard University's women's tennis team. Anne has received numerous awards for her contributions in sports psychology and mental training. Complimentary for all players and parents.
- 5:00 8:00 pm BBQ Dinner at The West Side Tennis Club for all players, parents, siblings, coaches, and guests (optional). This is a dinner for the West Side club members and the "Little Mo" players and guests are invited to the dinner at a cost of \$15 per player (age 12 & under) and \$28 per person for parents (+ tax/tip).

Monday, August 20

8:00 am - Matches begin and continue all day (gift exchange before first round match). (Please check-in 15 minutes prior to your match.)

12:00 - 5:00 pm - Doubles sign-up

Tuesday, August 21

8:00 am – Matches begin and continue all day.

6:00 – 8:00 pm – Player Party for players and parents at The West Side Tennis Club.

Games2U will be organizing fun laser tag, gyroscope, video and wii games.

Dinner and party is "complimentary" for all "Little Mo" players. Adults, siblings guests \$12 per person (+tax/tip).

Wednesday, August 22

8:00 am – Matches begin and continue all day.

Thursday, August 23

8:00 am – Matches begin and continue all day.

Friday, August 24

8:00 am – Singles Finals and Doubles Finals and 3rd/4th play off for singles - all divisions.

- 10:00 am 1:00 pm A fun mixed doubles event for all players who are out of the tournament on the famous grass courts with traditional "white tennis balls". Players will be paired and medals awarded to the winners.
- 1:30 pm 3:00 pm Clinic with the Bryan Brothers (#1 doubles team and Olympic gold medal winners) for all "Little Mo" players. Spectators welcome.
- 3:00 pm 4:00 pm Personal autographs and photographs taken with the Bryan Brothers for all "Little Mo" players with the Bryan Brothers.

4:00pm - 5:00m - Exhibition match between the Bryan Brothers and pros Max Miryni (#1 doubles player) and Christian Harrison (Former "Little Mo" champion and up and coming pro player) on the historic stadium court.

Spectators welcome.

Saturday, August 25

Rain date, if needed to complete the tournament

Things to do in New York: Arthur Ashe Kids Day (Saturday, August 25), U.S. Open Qualifying, Broadway shows (Lion King, Mary Poppins), sightseeing to the Statue of Liberty, Empire State Building, Times Square, etc.

This tournament is named after Maureen "Little Mo" Connolly, who was the first woman to win the Grand Slam when she was only eighteen years old in 1953. She is still the youngest and only American woman to have accomplished this magnificent feat. This year, we are celebrating the 60th anniversary of Maureen's U.S. Open victory at Forest Hills in 1952.

We hope you enjoy this unique, one of a kind tournament at the most historic site in American tennis and in one of the most fun cities in the world. We look forward to seeing you. Please look online for our next "Little Mo" Internationals tournament at the PGA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida from December 7-12 and register: www.mcbtennis.org. See you soon.





The West Side Tennis Club - Forest Hills





Maureen "Little Mo" Connolly winning the U.S. Championships at Forest Hills in 1952. The U.S. Championships (now called the U.S. Open) was held at The West Side Tennis Club from 1924-1977. We hope you will join us in celebrating the 60th anniversary of her victory!