

January 2013

President's Message



Chris Cooke

Members, this is my final message to you as club President. I wanted to say thank you to everyone at the club for all of your input and help this past year. It has been great hearing from you and wonderful to have your assistance. Our club truly works well because its members contribute so much.

I also encourage each of you to attend the Annual Membership meeting on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:30 pm. At this meeting, we will be introducing the new Board Members – **Jim Sobel, Jennifer Ellison, and Ken March**. We will also introduce the new Club President, **Phil Zlatunich**, announce all of the Directors' roles for 2013, and thank our out-going Directors, **Dave Marcus, Mike Amaroli and Rob Adams**, for their great work on the Board. We will also ask the members to approve amending the Club's by-laws to increase the limit on the Board's spending authority to make expenditures on behalf of the Club without seeking a membership-wide vote from \$10,000 to up to \$25,000. The \$10,000 cap was set many decades ago (I am told it was in the 1970's) and we think an increase is in order to make repairs for routine maintenance items, such as repainting the courts, that are not controversial but

Upcoming Events

- **Annual Membership Meeting**
Tuesday, January 15th 6:30 pm
- **11th Annual Super Bowl Party**
Sunday, February 3rd
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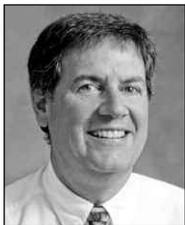
still need to be done. Of course, the decision to spend money up to \$25,000 on an item of extraordinary expense will still require Board of Directors approval. Please let me know if you have any questions about this proposal or other items under consideration. One other item I thought I would mention is that **Adrienne Leigh Schubiner, Mickey Podolsky and Eric Brand** have agreed to serve on a Design Committee to provide input on Club improvements, such as re-decorating the Clubhouse main room and other items. I want to thank each of them for agreeing to provide such input to the Club.

Finally, I want to thank our great Social Committee for putting on such a wonderful Holiday Party. The music, food, dancing and decorations were fantastic. I think this was one of the best attended parties. Thanks to **Jane Percy** and everyone else who worked so hard and put on such a great event.

I hope to see you all at the Club Annual Membership meeting and thank you for your input and help during the year. It has been great getting to know so many of you and hearing about your ideas for our Club.

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Editor's Note



Jeff Tateosian

I trust everyone had a happy Holiday season. PTC got the December spirit started off right with one of the liveliest functions in years. Thank you to the 120+ members who attended last month's Holiday party. Cocktails and dinner was followed by **Brian Wachhorst** and his terrific band. The dance floor was full of fun songs during both of his creative sets. For those of you not familiar with Brian's musical background, he has played in various bands, including playing with Pandora founder Tim Westergren in his original band, YellowWood Junction (Google images of YellowWood Junction and you'll see a young Brian and Tim). They have even toured with our Bay Area's own Grammy award winning group - Train, when they were starting to become popular. Besides playing and singing with his band, Brian has put out two acoustic CD's. You can often find him performing solo in restaurants around the Peninsula.

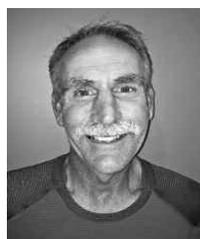
I would also like to tip my hat to long-time friend, **Mark Talmadge**, for sitting in Brian's band at the Holiday party, playing drums for a few songs. Mark also used to play in bands early on, but gave his passion up years ago. Nice to see he can still handle the "sticks" with the best of them.

Congratulations to Ken March, Jennifer Ellison and **Jim Sobel** for being selected to serve on the Board for the next couple of years. Starting with Kenny this month, we'll give you a little background information about them and their families. Please join me in thanking them for accepting their position on the Board.

Ken March and his wife, **Valerie**, met at church when they were young. They started dating in high school and after reconnecting, were married soon thereafter. Ken has a small auto body shop in South San Francisco where he "tools around" and restores classic cars. Val is a respiratory therapist at Sequoia Hospital in Redwood City. Their hobbies consist of playing

tennis, dancing (won't be on Dancing with the Stars anytime soon - sorry Ken), golfing, traveling, and most importantly, hanging out with friends and family.

They have three sons, **Andrew** (28), **Daniel** (25), and **Christopher** (22). Andy is currently working with a social media startup and will be moving to Chico in January. Dan graduated from Hawaii Pacific University and is playing professional baseball for an independent team in New Mexico, the White Sands Pupfish. Chris just graduated from Santa Clara and is working full time for Morgan Stanley in San Francisco.



Ken March

They joined the PTC about 15 years ago as novice tennis players. Neither one of them had played much tennis before joining the Club, but as the kids got older, Ken was looking for a competitive sport to play. Because they live so close to the Club, it was an easy decision to join (*Anthony's excuse to Jennifer*). He began playing right away. Valerie wanted to learn to play by using the back courts, even when they were the only ones at the Club. Ken says, "give Val credit, as her game has come a long way." They both now play on many teams and are enjoying each and every one of them.

One of Ken's most memorable moments at PTC was his first team tennis tournament. He recalls, "The captain of my team was **Charlie Nichols**, since passed. I thought it was supposed to be a fun, non-competitive tournament. Boy, was I wrong. Charlie set me straight - we were going to win. Throughout the day, Charlie, with his big smile and compliments to all, made the tennis and camaraderie on that day an everlasting experience. The PTC, with its wonderful members, is our place to go for great tennis, social events, BBQ's and just plain fun. I look forward to serving the membership over the next couple of years and hope your time at the Club is as enjoyable as mine. This is Ken's second stint on the Board. He was Club President in 2002.

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Manager's Corner



Lona Means

Riaz, Mary, Jose Rodriguez and I, along with our part-time seasonal employees, would like to thank all the PTC members for their very generous contributions to the Holiday Fund. We all very much appreciate your generosity and wish you and your families a happy and healthy 2013!

Red Flag Rule Reminder: When Members are waiting to play and the red flag is up: (a) Courts must be relinquished after two sets of doubles (the set count begins when play starts not when the red flag goes up), or when singles players have completed a 5 minute warm-up and have played one set or rallied for a total of 30 minutes. (b) A set shall be completed at 6-all by a tie breaker. (c) You can post your name on the wait list board ONLY when all members of your group are present. Please respect your fellow members and remember you are on the honor system to follow all club rules.

Contact me at manager@ptctennis.com or 650-347-1439 with any questions or concerns. Happy Tennis!

Club News

Club Anniversaries for January (5+ years)
Congratulations to the following members:

Dennis & Claudia Argyres **30 Years**

From Ken March: "What a winter wonderland - it was like summer in winter. On Sunday, December 9th, we hosted San Carlos Tennis Club in an end of year inter-club tournament. Twelve players from both Clubs participated in the men's, women's and mixed matches. The tennis, food and camaraderie was tremendous. A big thank you goes out to all the players for making this a memorable day. We are looking ahead to next year and building our tennis

community with continued events such as these with SCTC and PGCC. If you have any interest in participating, please see Lona. Events as these cannot happen without all of your time and efforts. A special thanks to **Mark Percy** and **Kelly Kemp** for their enthusiasm in running this event as well as to Lona, who participated in all levels of planning through game day cleanup.'

From Linda Pene Nagare: "A new Ballroom Dancing class just started. We have punch cards now, so if you miss a couple of classes, you won't lose out financially. If you haven't participated in our dance classes, please email me at lp10sne1@aol.com for more information. Classes are held on Tuesday evenings in the Clubhouse. The cost is a very reasonable \$10/person/class, or \$60 for a six class punch card. We also set up fun field trips at various dance clubs."

Yoga classes - Jean Yves will again be offering two classes this winter at PTC. First, he's offering a class on Wednesday's from 4:00-5:30 pm. This class is targeted to those who are new to Yoga, are experiencing some physical limitations, or are wishing to cultivate an improved sense of well-being. Students can drop in for \$20. Second, he's offering a Thursday all-level's class from 7:15-8:45 pm. This series will end on February 28th. The fee for this series is \$150 (regardless of the number of classes taken). Please note that drop-ins will not be allowed for this series.

Tennis Activities News



Tom Middlemass

In looking back on 2012 as the outgoing Tennis Events Committee Chairperson, I am thankful for all of the successful tennis events held at the PTC and for those who helped. On a random note, I am still thinking about 2012 Australian Open Final with Nadal and Djokovich. The most physical match I have ever seen - absolutely

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breathhtaking. We are now easing into 2013 and this year's Aussie Open is just around the corner to kick off the tennis season for the pros. This leads us to a nice segue for the 2013 calendar of tennis events here at the PTC. With new Board leadership, you will be seeing a few fresh ideas and some tweaking of the events. As always, if you have any suggestions, input or ideas for how we can better serve our membership's tennis activities, please let me know. Any and all feedback is welcome. Here is to an excellent 2013 of tennis at our beloved PTC.

Clubhouse library bookshelves/Clubhouse upgrade development phase -2015.
Clubhouse/court sound system - Budget feasibility revisit for 2014-15.
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House & Grounds News



Phil Zlatunich

Happy New Year to all PTC members! Just one quick reminder, after using the rollers to dry the courts PLEASE hang them back up before you begin playing. Leaving them resting on the ground for any length of time will damage the foam roller.

See you out on the courts.

Current List of H&G projects:

Clubhouse roof replacement - Cal Pac Roofing in process of repairing - pending weather.
Skylight replacement - Completed.
PTC website upgrade - Under construction in February.
New ball machine - On order pending remote re-programming.
Hydration station at Court #3 - Plan check review.
Court crack repair #4 thru #7 - Budgeting for 2013, proposed August 2013 start .
Clay/Har-Tru Courts - #4 thru #7 - Committee selection process under way, 2015-16.
Clubhouse bar area, big room ceiling/kitchen painting - Scheduled for January.
Flooring replacement (Women and Junior Locker rooms) - Scheduled for February.
Video cam upgrade - Cost analysis/feasibility study in progress.
New lights - development phase/Committee selection process under way.
Furniture replacement - ADC Review / Fiscal Budgeting for 2014-15.

Membership News



Mike Amaroli

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. For you snow bunnies, I hope the slopes were full of powder. For us tennis nuts, there was no better place to be than the PTC. I practiced with my Men's team Sunday, the 30th at 11:00 am. The courts

were packed and we had to wait...as the outgoing Membership Chair, I could not be happier. The 55 degree weather felt like 70 with the sun shining and members playing in shorts and filling the courts with smiles, laughter and some great shots. My wife, **Joni**, and I came back down on Monday, the 31st, to play mixed doubles and saw the same picture. The weather was bright and crisp and the courts were full with hello's and Happy New Year's cheers being shared from court to court. Not that I have to mention the obvious, but the PTC is an incredibly friendly place. I want to thank the Club members for giving me the opportunity to serve on the Board. I also want to thank my fellow Board members for giving of their time and making prudent decisions always in the best interest of the members. Please continue to share the PTC story to your special friends as we still have a few openings (OK, now I will stop being the Membership Chair!) Have a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

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Social Events News



Jane Percy

What a party! The membership turned out in record numbers with delicious food in tow, to enjoy the holidays with PTC friends. The evening began with some beautiful piano music provided by **Cari Parker**, followed by an awesome performance by

Brian Wachhorst and his band, All Star Jukebox. Thanks to both of you for entertaining us all night long. Thanks to the hard work of the Social Committee and our two awesome helpers in the kitchen, we managed to keep the chaos to a minimum. **Joni Amaroli** provided sensational floral arrangements, **Kerry Mahrer** and **Mary Eliason** mixed up the delicious poinsettia welcome drink, **Tim McMurdo and Tom Blumberg**, with an able assist from Mark Percy and **Jeff Tsu**, worked their tails off behind the bar, and **Chris McMurdo, Kay Coskey, Maggie Blumberg and Marci Martinucci**, helped with either setup, party help or both! An honorable mention goes to **Nancy Chew** and **Marissa Hauselt** for jumping in during the party to bus tables. Of course, the evening would have been a bust had it not been for **Lona** and **Jose**. *They pretty much do everything and we take all the credit!* Last but not least, thanks to our hard-working team of dancing kitchen helpers, **Susanna Percy** and **Natalie Fregosi**. They can bust a move and wash a dish all in one smooth motion!

Next up is the Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 3rd, 2:30 pm. Keep your fingers crossed that the Niners will be playing! Even if they aren't, come to the PTC to watch the action on the big screen with friends. There will be lots of activities to supplement the football, including our annual chili cook-off and for the first time, a beer tasting! The Super Bowl kicks off around 3:15 pm. Bring your "award-winning" chili dish to share before the game (outlets will be available for crock pots). If you're not up for making chili, bring a side dish (serving 8-10). Beverages will be provided by the Club. To add a little excitement to the game,

Jeff Tateosian's Sports Book will again be providing the Super Bowl pool and proposition bets for your entertainment. Please sign up for the biggest sporting event of the year in the club-room or call **Lona** at 347-1439.

Director of Tennis News



Riaz Shivji USPTA

2012 was a great year for tennis at PTC! I am very much looking forward to getting started in January with another tennis filled year. We aim to continue all lessons, clinics, Pro Court,

tennis events, the Junior Program, and much more. There are currently 10 USTA teams starting in January. Some of these teams have already started our Doubles Match Play Course, which will continue after the first of the year. If you are interested in arranging a clinic to get your team primed for the season, please let me know and we can arrange your group session. If you haven't already signed up for a team, here is the list with the captains to contact if you are interested in playing:

55mx 7.0 - Nancy Batchelor & Marissa Hauselt

55mx 8.0 - Linda Nagare

40M 3.0 - Mickey Podolsky

40M 3.5 - Mickey Podolsky

40M 4.0 - Christian Reilly

40M 4.5 - Ken March

40W 3.0 - Whitney Murphy

40W 3.5 - Nancy Chew & Linda Podolsky

40W 4.0 - Natalie Vasiliev

40W 4.5 - Becky Homan

SAP Open

The SAP Open will be returning to HP Pavilion for the very last time from February 11-17, 2013. Here is a list of scheduled events, but may be subject to change:

Monday, February 11 at 7:00 pm

Mardy Fish (1st Round Singles), followed by another main draw match.

Tuesday, February 12 at 7:00 pm

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Bryan Brothers (1st round doubles), followed by Verdasco (1st round Singles).

Wednesday, February 13 at 7:00 pm

John Isner (2nd round singles), followed by Alexandr Dolgoplov (2nd round singles).

Thursday, February 14 at 7:00 pm

Milos Raonic (2nd round singles), followed by Sam Querrey (2nd round singles).

Friday, February 15 at 7:00 pm

Quarter-Finals (singles followed by doubles).

Saturday, February 16 at 7:00 pm

Mixed Doubles Exhibition featuring Andre Agassi, Stefanie Graf, Lindsay Davenport & Andy Roddick, followed by singles semi-final match.

I'm looking forward to sharing an evening of fun with our member group on Tuesday, Feb 12th and Friday, February 15th at 7:00 pm. There are 20 seats available on each night. Please contact me if you would like to join the group for drinks, good times and great tennis.

Our dynamic Academy Ballkids Team selected from youngsters in our group program, is preparing for its shift and will be working the Semi-Finals on Saturday, February 16th. 1:00 pm. They are very excited and will be ready to showcase their skills when it counts.

Junior Tennis

The Junior Winter Program will begin on Monday, January 14th. We will once again have the following groups training on these days:

Monday - Jr. Academy 3 (USTA Novice level Tournament Players)

Tuesday - Jr. Academy 2 (USTA Challenger level Tournament Players)

Wednesday - QuickStart & 10 and Under Ages 5-8 and 9-10)

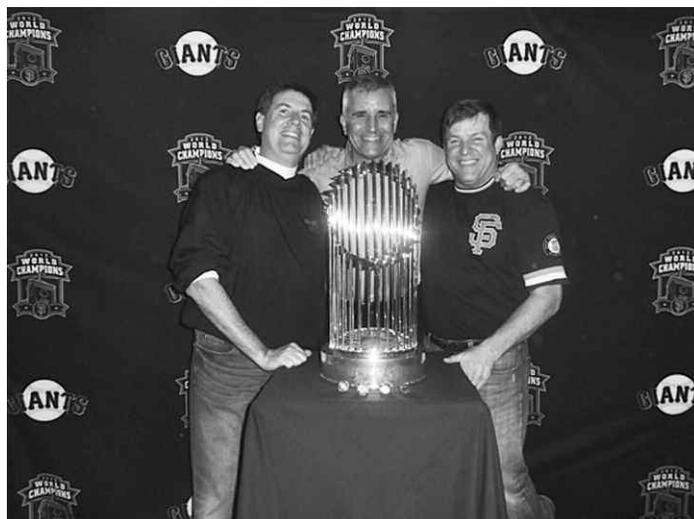
Thursday - STAR (Beginner/Intermediate ages 11-16)

Friday - Academy Select (USTA Open level Tournament Players)

Registration is available online at www.rstennis.com and is filling up fast.

Upcoming Events

- January 14th. Winter Junior Tennis Program Begins. Register at www.rstennis.com



Jeff Tateosian, Pat Belding & Peter Stevenson with the 2012 World Series Trophy

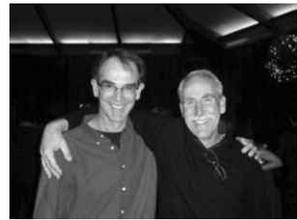


Brian Wachhorst and All Star Jukebox



Mark Talmage on the drums

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Peninsula Tennis Club ~ Court Calendar

Jan 2013 (Pacific Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
12:30pm - Women's 2:30pm - Men's 4.0		6:30pm - Annual	9 am - SFPTL			2:30pm - Men's 4.5+
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
						9 am - Pro Court #3 12:30pm - Women's 2:30pm - Women's
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
12:30pm - Men's 3.0 2:30pm - Women's						12:30pm - Women's 2:30pm - Women's
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
12:30pm - Men's 3.5			9 am - SFPTL Senior			12:30pm - Women's 2:30pm - Women's