

April 2013

President's Message



Phil Zlatunich

The PTC certainly had the luck of the Irish on St. Paddy's Day, unlike last year! The sun shone brightly on the PTC courts and our St. Paddy's Day Mixed Team Tennis event went on without a hitch. Thank you to our energetic Tennis and Social committees, under the direction of **Ken March** and **Jennifer Ellison**. A big thank you goes out to all of our dedicated members involved in setting up for the event and then cleaning up after us. Please see Ken and Jen's articles for additional details of this fantastic club event.

The **Quarterly Membership meeting** scheduled for April 16, 2013 at 6:30 pm is an important one to attend. Our agenda will address several pressing club issues including a vote on re-surfacing courts 4 through 7 in August. This will be a very informative meeting so please mark your calendars to "save the date." If you cannot attend, please fill out your proxy vote and send it back to **Lona**.

Some exciting club news; after three years of negotiating for a new ball machine, the PTC is finally going to entering the 21st century! We take delivery of our new machine on April 12, 2013.

Upcoming Events

•
Quarterly Membership Meeting
Tuesday, April 16th

•
Spring Fling Mixer
Saturday, May 4th

•
Inter-Club PTC vs. PGCC
Saturday, May 11th

Let's get out and play some tennis and enjoy our club - the best kept secret on the Peninsula!

Editor's Note




Jeff Tateosian

If you haven't utilized the PTC website lately, be sure to check it out. **Dennis Mayer**, member and webmaster, has added some new features. Usage on the website continues to rise on a monthly basis. In March alone, we averaged 56 visits a day, with 17, 648 hits for the month. Readership of the Drop Shot online has also steadily increased. Last month, we had 382 unique visitors to the Drop Shot (each computer IP address used is considered a unique visitor). Please continue to use the Court Cams, Club Roster, Drop Shots, Club Rules, Club Calendar and other popular items, as Dennis has some great ideas ahead for the site.

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Do you own an iPhone, iPad or other mobile device? Did you know there is a way to add a quick link to the PTC court cams with a simple push of a screen button on you phone or pad? All you need to do is:

1. Go to www.ptctennis.com on your phone or pad.
2. Select the "court camera" link and then, select the "iPhone Front Court" link in the drop down menu.
3. Open the "save as bookmark button"  at the bottom of the screen, then select the "Add to Home Screen" button.
4. It will ask you to "rename the link." i.e. PTC CAM
5. Lastly, click the "add button" at the top right of your screen. Done.

At one touch of a button, you will be able to quickly see what is happening on the courts. You can repeat this for the back courts too. If you need help setting this up, see Lona, Dennis, or myself.

Manager's Corner



Lona Means

The board Board has approved the following fee updates effective April 1, 2013:

- Short Locker - \$50.00 year
- Long Locker - \$60.00 year
- Adult Tennis Guest fee - \$5.00 day
- BBQ Guest fee - \$5.00 day or \$10.00/family
- Adult Swim or Activity - \$5.00 day
- Jr Tennis/Swim/Activity - \$5.00 day
- Jr Initiation fee - \$300.00 one time
- Jr Membership fee - \$40.00 month
- Jr Summer Membership - \$500.00 summer

Guest & Group Use Rule Change: No person may be a tennis/swim guest at the club more than two times per month, or more than one weekend day per month. This rule applies to those guests residing in the nine bay area counties. Also, barbecue guest facility use fee is \$5.00 per person with a \$10.00 maximum per family.

Club News

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

Dick & Ann Hesselink	30 Years
Joe Bojues	20 Years
Jim & Gayle Etienne	20 Years
Mike & Joni Amaroli	10 Years
Al & Jean Chamberlain	10 Years
El & Kirsten Gray	10 Years

Ballroom dancing is gearing up again. A new beginner class will begin on Tuesday, April 23rd from 6:00-7:00 pm. Cost will be \$59.00/person, for a 6 classes. Singles are welcome.

Tennis Activities News



Ken March

I would like to thank all the captains for the winter season. Seems like we were able to survive USTA's desire to add a new season to the schedule. The weather was exemplary with few matches needing to be rescheduled due to weather. Thank

goodness! Congratulations to captains **Linda Pene** 55 - 8.0 mixed, **Becky Homan** 40 - 4.5+, and the Men's 40 - 4.5+ teams for making the playoffs. Good luck in your matches. I would like to thank the membership for being patient over with our court usage for team play and the many of you who had good ideas on how to solve these issues in the future. The Board is looking into solutions and will hopefully be able to make some adjustments.

Our St. Patrick's Day Team Tennis Tournament was a huge success. Thanks to the 48 players who participated and the great weather. A good time was had by all. Congratulations to the winning team captained by **Mark Percy** and players **Lisa Rosenthal, Carey Welsh, Ben Chew, Dan McGee** and **Valerie March**. They won a very spirited final over **Ron Martinucci's** team and players **Shari Mayer, Karl Bahktiari, Niteen Patkar, Adrienne Schubiner** and **Sonja Moss**.

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Thank you to the Tennis and Social Committee's for making this an enjoyable day. A special thank you to **Kelly Kemp, Mark Percy, Steve Brooks, Brian Heimbecker, Natalie Vasiliev, Kay Coskey, Whitney Murphy** and **Kim Cresci** for pre-tournament and tournament day support.

Our next tennis event will be a **Cinco de Mayo** Spring Fling Team Tennis Tournament on May 4th. We will be using a little different format and time change for this tournament. We tentatively will have a 12 noon start for tennis with and food and cocktails following play around 5:00 pm. The sign-up sheet will be posted in the Clubhouse on Thursday, April 4th. Sign-up early as these tournaments fill quickly.

We will host the first of four **Inter-Clubs** the following Saturday afternoon with PGCC. Twelve players (6 men – 6 women) will participate with a potluck to follow. Any interest? Contact **Lona** or myself.

Lastly, **Scott With** and **Peter Stevenson** will be heading up a committee looking to establish a doubles tennis ladder. We will have a trial run soon to work out any technical issues then open it up to the members. We are looking to debut in early summer. Feel free to let them know if you are interested. See you at the Club!

House & Grounds News



Phil Zlatunich

Current List of H&G projects:

- PTC website upgrade – Under constant construction.
- Existing ball machine – Remote reprogramming completed, new remote currently missing.
- New machine is expected to arrive in on April 12th.
- Flooring replacement (Women's locker rooms) – Delayed. Scheduled start in April.
- Flooring replacement (Junior Locker rooms) – Tentative schedule start date in August.
- Court crack repair – painting #4 thru 7 – Scheduled for August 5–9, 2013 start.

- Video cam upgrade – Cost analysis / feasibility study in progress.
- Clubhouse / Court sound system – Committee equipment selection / review / budgeting, underway.
- Hydration station @ court #3 – Plan check review.
- New lights – Development phase.
- Clubhouse bar area, big room ceiling / Kitchen painting – Scheduled discussions – pending.
- Furniture replacement – ADC review / Fiscal budgeting for 2014–15.
- Clubhouse library bookshelves / ACD clubhouse development / May PC review.
- Card Key key entry/Security system – Discussion/review/feasibility.

Membership News



Jane Percy

Things are really humming along in the Membership department. We have two new member families this month. The first is **Ryan Clark** and **Caroline Gaffney**, sponsored by **Marcus Shen** and **Jim Fregosi**. The second is **Jay** and **Ginger Penn**,

sponsored by **Jim Sobel** and **Todd Friedman**. I haven't seen Ryan in action, but the word on the street is that this guy can really play! Ryan's wife, Caroline, is just getting started in the game and they have a little girl, **Alexandra**, who will most likely find herself on the court before too long.

I had the pleasure of meeting Jay and Ginger Penn at a Membership Meet 'n' Greet. They live in the neighborhood and know many current club members. They'll make a great addition to our club. I thoroughly enjoyed their attitude and good nature on the court. Jay and Ginger have two kids who will join our PTC family as well. Welcome one and all.

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We have a new applicant, **Meaghan Schaefer**. Meaghan came to our *Meet-n-Greet*. She liked our chaotic tennis round robin and tasty snacks so much that she decided to put in an application! As always, if you know someone who would be a good addition to our PTC family, invite them down for a tour with **Lona** or send me an e-mail mjpearcy@sbcglobal.net and I'll contact them. *The more the merrier!*

Social Events News



Following the Team Tennis Tournament, PTC celebrated St. Paddy's day in style with plenty of beer, margaritas and some light munchies. Congrats to **Dennis Mayer** who came closest to guessing the number of tennis balls in our *pot-o'-gold*. The winning guess of 107 balls (106 was the actual number) earned him a bottle of Irish whiskey (and a crazy looking hat). We all know that Dennis is a generous guy, so visit his locker next time you need a drink! A huge thank you to **Tery Zlatunich, Barbara Kott and Kerry Maher** for all their help making the St. Paddy's party a festive and fun event.

The spring social season continues at PTC. Mark your calendars for our next event, Spring Fling Team Tennis Tournament, on Saturday, May 4th. Whether you are playing in the tennis event or not, come on down to PTC around 5:00 pm that evening to kick off Cinco de Mayo a day early. Sate your appetites with enchiladas, tacos, rice and beans. Then quench your thirst with margaritas and cervezas on the patio. If you are not playing tennis but still wish to join us, please sign up for the party only, or let **Lona** know you will be coming so we can order the correct amount of food. It will be a very fun evening at the club. What better way to spend a nice spring evening. **We are still looking for members** interested in helping with the social committee. If you want more information, please contact me at Jennifer.ellison@yahoo.com.

Director of Tennis News



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ADULT TENNIS

The late winter USTA season recently ended and the PTC teams had a great season of fun and competitive tennis. Thanks to **Linda Podolsky** and **Nancy Chew** for leading the 40+ women's 3.5 team to a great finish and **Nancy Batchelor** and **Marissa Hauselt** for leading the 55+ Mixed 7.0 team to almost making the playoffs (1 individual match short). Now on to the Adult 18+ USTA League season. The PTC 3.0/3.5 Men's and the 3.0/3.5 Women's Teams have begun preparing for the Adult 18+ USTA League season by taking our Doubles MatchPlay course where they worked on movement, communication, net play, poaching and one of the three fundamental doubles formations. **Scott With, Jerry Ceglia, Brian Kott, Gene Trainor, Steve Hurwitz, Keith Pratt, Peter Stevenson, Mark Showen, Corey Ravid, Jim Sobel, Phil Marson, David Schieble, Marissa Wachhorsts, Joan Holland, Carolyn Dowling, Beth Cody, Kathleen Egan, Kristin Nisewaner, Whitney Murphy, Joanne Mahaffey, Tami DeWitt, Jean Schieble, May Bartus, Jackie Sage, and Shirley Mezzetta** have taken the first step to better doubles play and understanding the game within the game. If you'd like to join us, contact your team captain and sign up for the next session.

USTA League play is about to begin. If you would like to prepare and beef up your game ready for the rigors of league play, drop us a line and let's work together to get your game on track. Currently there are lesson openings weekdays early AM and on Friday and Saturday afternoons. It's easy to sign up, just call or email me at the Tennis Office to take a lesson - 650-347-1440 riaz@rstennis.com.

Pro court will be held on Saturday, April 20th from 9:00-11:00 am. Please join me and your fellow club members, for a great time to mix in for co-ed doubles. It is a great chance to meet, greet and enjoy playing with fellow members. This month's color scheme is Darth Vader all black! I hope **Marci** gets the memo!

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JUNIOR TENNIS

The RS Tennis Jr. Winter Program has concluded as of this week. QuickStart, U10 Tennis, STAR, Jr. Academy 2 & 3, and Academy all trained hard and improved a great deal during the past 8 weeks. It was a great series for all of the groups, with Juniors of all ages and abilities, continuing to learn and love the game of tennis. We had 27 members participate in the program, from the QuickStart level to Academy. We hope you received our all-club call out for Junior member participation in our upcoming Spring Program, which will begin on Monday, April 1st. If there are beginner/novice Junior members ages 11-15 out there that need help learning the basics, we have set aside time for you. If your child would like to participate, please contact me at the Tennis Office. We look forward to having many Junior members join us for Spring Tennis.

- Mon (3:30-5:30 pm) – Jr. Academy 3
- Tue (3:30-5:30 pm) – Jr. Academy 2
- Wed (3:30-4:30 pm) – QuickStart/10 & Under
- Thur (3:30-5:30 pm) – Academy

Visit www.rstennis.com for details on of our Junior Program.

Move in to win!

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Jay & Ginger Penn Family



Ryan Clark & Caroline Gaffney Family

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2013 Team Tennis - Winners



2013 Team Tennis - Second Place

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Peninsula Tennis Club ~ Court Calendar Apr 2013 (Pacific Time)

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