

The Drop Shot

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MAY 2010

President's Message



Jerry Ceglia

April has been another busy month at the PTC in between rain drops. I'd like to offer some thank you's. First, thank you to the members who came to the Quarterly Meeting. The turnout was sparse on a rainy evening but the interaction was intimate and efficient. It was a good opportunity to hear from each Director so please try to attend the next meeting.

Also, thank you to all of the Team Tennis participants. Once again a full field turned out for what has consistently been one of our best events for members new and old to meet, compete and have fun. Big kudos goes to *Karen Harrigan* and her tennis committee, as well as *Riaz* for another great day.

And lastly, thank you to all who attended the Spring Fling, another

Upcoming Events

Men's Singles Tournament Scheduled Games Starting May 1st

Junior Invitational Tournament May 21st – 23rd

> Men's Singles Finals Sunday, May 23

van Dillen Men's Doubles Championship June 5th – 6th

New Member Welcome Twilight Tennis June 24

Dennis Mayer - Nancy Batchelor production done to perfection. The social committee pulled off another fun event with great food, tasty beverages and a rocking live band - thank you to all that helped out.

May looks to be another busy month for some great tennis with League play continuing, the Junior Invitational and the Men's Singles Championships. Please sign up in the club house to participate or just come by for lunch and watch all of the fun.

Editor's Note



Jeff Tateosian

Good luck to all of our Singles Tournament participants. With over 55 players, this is by far the biggest turnout ever. I expect the strong showing to continue for the ever-

popular van Dillen Men's Doubles Championship coming up in June. Let's get out there and play my friends.

Manager's Corner



Lona Means

The 2010 PTC Roster & Rule Booklets will be available to pick at the snack bar May 15.

Summer is just around the corner and the swimming

pool is heated! This is a good time for a reminder about PTC's pool and sparules:

Pool & Spa Rules:

- 1. Youths under age 7 are not permitted to use the spa at any time.
- **2.** Youths under age 10 require attentive adult supervision at all times when in and around the pool & spa area.
- **3.** Youths 7-14 may use the spa, but only with attentive adult supervision.
- **4.** Youths ages 10-14 require attentive adult supervision if using the pool when a lifeguard is not on duty.
- **5.** From 5:00-7:00 PM the spa is reserved for adult use only. No one under 18 is permitted to use the spa during these hours

- regardless if the spa is being used by adults or not.
- **6.** Kids need to be respectful, especially when in the spa (e.g. no jumping, no splashing, no throwing of objects, no food or beverages).
- 7. Lifeguards and all Senior PTC members have full authority and are requested to see that all swim/spa rules are enforced.

Note: Attentive adult supervision implies that an adult is in the immediate area and paying close attention to their kids in the pool and/or spa. This applies regardless if a lifeguard is on duty or not.

Someone brought a bottle of wine onto the back courts this past Sunday evening. Somehow the bottle broke and it was just left there. Just like in the pool area, glass containers are not allowed on the tennis courts at any time.

Please remind your children to put any valuables in a locked locker. Unfortunately, \$50 and an iPod Touch in a black case (8 Gigabyte with black screen) were left in the locker room and have turned up missing.

Club News

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

Gary Capurro 5 Years

Congratulations goes to Louise and Kevin Tierney's Mixed Senior 8.0 team which came in 2nd place at the

Nationals in Florida two weeks ago. *Gerry Sydorak, Linda Benvenuto and Ken March* were also on the team, but couldn't make the trip.

Our USTA teams are doing well, led by the Ladies 4.0 team. They are in first place, undefeated so far this season.

Jim Friedman is forming a new USTA team - Men's 4.0 Super Senior (60+) that will begin play in June and last through the summer. Please contact Jim at jfriedman@astound.com for more information. It should be a fun and competitive team.

Tennis Activities News

The great weather for our 2010 PTC tennis events continued on April 18th for our Spring Fling Team Tennis event. We had 36 players, all clad with their



Karen Harrigan

creatively placed bandanas, playing men's and mixed doubles while focusing to win each game in efforts to put their team on the Leaderboard. The day was filled with close matches, many laughs, and some new friendships.

In the end, The Boston Lobsters (Red Team #1) took home first place.
Congratulations to *Chris McMurdo*, *Sharon Marson, Rob Delantoni, Jeff Shubiner, Stuart Batchelor and Joe Feeney.* Not far behind in second place was The San Francisco Smash (Pink Team #2) staffed by *Donna Balchios*, *Nancy Chew, Bob Currie, Jerry Ceglia*, *Dan McGee and Bob Wren*.

Many thanks to our fabulous pro, *Riaz Shivji*, for his time, and infusing his NRG and enthusiasm as he kept the courts rotating – and encouraged those put–away volleys. I also want to thank *Dan DeWitt, Marissa Hauselt, Maja Nelson, and Marci Martinucci* for the behind the scenes work that provided a delicious lunch, fun prizes, creative teams, and a well run tournament desk.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming events. Remember to sign-up early. Look in the Clubhouse for sign-up sheets or e-mail Lona.

May Men's Singles Tournament

May 22–23 USTA Junior Tournament

June 5-6 van Dillen Men's Doubles

June 13 Men's Singles Finals

House & Grounds News



The pool is now heated. Our lap swimmers and kids are very happy about this!

The front courts (1, 2, and Ron Martinucci 3) will have the half screens replaced with full screens.

This should improve the back drop to let you see the ball better. Unfortunately, you will still have to hit the ball.

The Bar-B-Que area is primed and ready for summer use.

Parents, please supervise your children and guests at the club. Be sure to follow the spa usage rules, as well as no running in the common areas and around the pool/spa. These rules are put in place for your safety and the safety of other members. Have a fun and safe time around the club.

Finally, check to see if you have left anything behind when you are about to leave. By the end of August, our lost and found bin is overflowing with towels and other items. If not claimed, they will be donated.

Membership News

MEMBERSHIP FACT REPORT

Senior membership: 235 Senior membership goal: 240

New Members: 0 Waiting list: 0

Junior applicants: 0



Rob Delantoni

Member Prospect: Marcus & Jamie Shen (along with their two young children). Marcus and Jamie have submitted all their membership paperwork, have met and played tennis with Membership Committee members, and are awaiting the completion of their "30 day comment period." Marcus is a particularly good player, having played at the college level for Cal. We are looking forward to officially welcoming them to the club in May.

Member Prospect: Hague van Dillen. Hague is the son of long time member and Davis Cupper Erik van Dillen, and is applying for membership under the Stirm Membership Plan (a special PTC financing plan for the young adult sons and daughters of members). Hague has played college tennis, and would be a wonderful addition to our membership roll. Hague is in the process of completing his membership application and related paperwork.

Resignations: Michael & Catherine Podell Ken & Monica Seeger

Upcoming event: On Sunday, May 16, the PTC will host the quarterly meeting of the Burlingame Historical Society from 2:00 – 4:00 PM in the Club Room. With the help of the Membership committee and others, we will present a history of the club, display club pictures, albums, and posters from the club historical archives, answer questions, and (hopefully) generate interest in the PTC and maybe find a few potential new members. We are expecting 50–100 members of the public to attend, so please make them feel welcome and show them what a great club we have.

Your Membership Committee: Becky Showen, Melissa Smith, Jeff Tsu, Steve Balchios, Glenn Mendelson, and Ken March.

Social Events News



Dennis Mayer

This years Spring Fling
Party was a fun and intiment event, complete
with live music and delicious food. Thanks to all
who could attend and special thanks to our team of

volenteers. Led by *Nancy Batchelor*, *Linda Pene, Chris Mangar, Shari Mayer, Valorie March, Marissa Hauselt, Nancy Chew* and our President *Jerry Ceglia*, working wonders at the bar.

Plans are in the making for the van Dillen Doubles Championship Celebration and our New Member Welcome Twilight Tennis events in June. Stay tuned.....

Director of Tennis News



Riaz Shivji USPTA

ADULT TENNIS

Thanks to all the members who participated in the Spring Fling Team Tennis event last

month. A great time was had by all with much camaraderie mixed in with a little competitive spirit. It was a perfect blend on a beautiful spring day. Congratulations and thanks also to the 2010 Tennis Committee headed by *Karen Harrigan* for putting on a first class event.

UPCOMING EVENTS Men's Singles Championship - Predetermined game plan, execute shot

selection, play to win, but always play fair! For all of you one-on-one combatants, we have the Singles Championship about to start.

Format: play approximately one match per week until the Finals on June 13th. Three Divisions: 3.5, 4.0 & 4.5 and up. Sign up in clubhouse or contact the Tennis Office.

van Dillen Doubles Championship – Find best possible partner you can, work together, communicate, signal, poach, put away volleys. The van Dillen Men's Doubles Championship is the premier event/tournament in our club calendar. Please mark the date of June 5th & 6th. The tournament will beheld on one weekend to determine the best men's doubles teams of PTC. Sign up in clubhouse or contact the Tennis Office.

Pro Court this month will be on Saturday, May 8th at 9:00-11:30am. Come out and enjoy "mixing in" with fellow members on Stadium 3.

Women's Drop-In Clinic is every Wednesday from 11:00am-12:30pm. Ladies come out to Court 5 and receive doubles coaching along with one stroke per week instruction.

Best Dressed Member! New Wilson Tournament Cap for Best Dressed Member of the Month. April winner – Steve Benvenuto Sr! He is always in a sharp tennis shirt (sometimes collared), appropriate tennis shorts, and regulation tennis shoes. Looking good!

JUNIOR TENNIS

I've got some great Wilson Junior Tennis demo rackets from Tennis Station (*thanks Anthony*). We have them in all lengths just right for your little gripper tennis player. Many children in our Star Program have benefited by making the change to the correct racket in terms of length and weight. Stop by the Tennis Office to check them out. You can then purchase the real deal at Tennis Station.

Star Program – Beginner / Novice children ages 6–14. Star Program has 2 weeks left in the 8 week spring series. Last scheduled day – May 12th.

Junior Academy – Advanced level children ages 10–15.

Junior Academy II: Mondays – 5 weeks left in 12 week Spring Series – Last Scheduled day – May 31st.

Jr. Grippers, Tuesdays – 3 weeks left in 8 week Spring Series – Last scheduled day – May 11th.

Jr. Academy I, Fridays – 5 weeks left in 12 week Spring Series – Last scheduled day – June 4th. Jr. Tournament - May 22nd & 23rd. 12U &14U Novice & Challenger. Great Tournament for your Junior player. Must be able to serve, rally and score. Register online:

http://tennislink.usta.com/Tournaments/TournamentHome/Tournament.aspx?T = 93204

Summer Program – Opening Day, June 14th – Closing Day, August 13th. Nine one-week summer sessions. Register online at www.rstennis.com. Mandatory Parent Meeting for all registered participants – Wed, June 2nd – 6:00 – 7:00 pm at PTC.

Looking forward to a great summer! See you on the courts!

Peninsula Tennis Club ~ Court Calendar

May 2010 (Pacific Time)

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