

February 2010

President's Message



Jerry Ceglia

Please join me in thanking the three recent Board members who have just finished their terms: **Becky Showen** for championing Tennis and Membership Activities; **Erik van Dillen** for his guidance in Special Projects; and **Stuart Batchelor** for three years of making the facilities the place we want to come to play and meet friends. The Club appreciates all of your time and effort, and we know that you will remain involved.

Joining **Rob Delantoni**, **Kelly Kemp**, **Dennis Mayer** and me on the Board for the upcoming year will be **Rob Adams**, **Karen Harrigan**, and **Ron Martinucci**. Rob, Karen and Ron are great additions to our Board with many years of club involvement and

Upcoming Events

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**Super Bowl Party &
8th Annual Chili Cook Off**
February 7th 2:00 PM
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will provide strong leadership. Board assignments for the upcoming year are: **Rob Adams** – *Finance/Secretary*, **Rob Delantoni** – *Membership*, **Karen Harrigan** – *Tennis Activities*, **Kelly Kemp** – *Planning/Tennis Liaison*, **Ron Martinucci** – *House & Grounds*, and **Dennis Mayer** – *Social Activities*.

The club is looking great and the many activities throughout the year makes PTC a great place to be. I look forward to another fun-filled year, working alongside of all the Board members and carrying on the tradition of developing quality tennis and good friendships.

Editor's Note



Jeff Tateosian

With the announcement of our new Board Members and their committee responsibilities, the best way to welcome them is to help support

them. Social, Tennis & Membership are looking to add volunteers to their committees, especially newer members that haven't yet had the opportunity to get involved. Please contact **Lona** or the Board Members in charge of the committees you might be interested in.

If you don't already have plans for Sunday's Super Bowl, please consider joining us for one of the best parties on the Peninsula. Please refer to the Social Activities article below for more details. I wanted to remind everyone to bring a little extra spending cash to make some fun wagers with Taddy's Sports Book. You'll be able to bet on proposition bets such as which team wins the opening coin toss, who will win the game, how many total points will be scored and many more (20 different bets in all). Each bet is only \$1. We will also have our traditional Super Bowl Pool that also will cost \$1 per square. The more you get involved, the more interesting the game usually is. Hope to see you this Sunday.

Manager's Corner



Lona Means

USTA adult league team registration begins January 11, 2010 thru February 15, 2010 with regular season play beginning March 15, 2010 and ending July 11, 2010. Please contact the following team captains if you are interested in joining a team:

- Men's 3.0 **Mickey Podolsky**,
mbpodo@aol.com
- Women's 3.0 **Kristin Nisewaner**,
knisewaner@yahoo.com
- Men's 3.5 **Phillip Marson**,
phil.marson@gmail.com
- Women's 3.5 **Kim Cresci**,
kimcresci@rcn.com
- Men's 4.0 **Tom Middlemass**,
tom@cooltom.com
- Women's 4.0 **Barbara Freethy**,
bafreethy@astound.net
- Men's 4.5 **Ken March**,
kvmarch81@att.net
- Women's 4.5 **Mindy Wong**,
rmmz@pacbell.net
- Men's 5.0 **Anthony Paz**,
paz4life@yahoo.com

PTC League Policy

1. Team captains must get approval of the PTC Manager before registering with USTA.
2. Team captains must notify visiting team captains of all rules.
3. All team/league play at PTC home matches must utilize a tiebreaker in

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lieu of a third set on weekends, excepting for SFPTL matches. Weekday matches beginning at or after 6:00 pm may play a full third set. However, if the third set is not completed, players will need to obtain space/time on a first come first serve basis with other PTC members.

4. No more than three courts can be reserved (through the Club Manager) at any one time during daytime hours. During day light savings time, up to five courts can be reserved for evening matches, but only if needed.

5. Team captains have discretion regarding:

- Using a player whose ability is above or below the team's description.
- Playing members or non-members in any given match.

6. Teams should be filled from PTC membership. If a team can't be assembled from PTC members, the roster may include up to 25% non-members.

7. Guest fees will not apply to non-members however; each non-member playing on a PTC league team will be charged a \$50.00 fee for each team/season the non-member joins. Captains will be responsible for the collection of these fees payable to the PTC.

Red Flag Rule Reminder

When members are waiting to play and the red flag is up:
Courts must be relinquished after two

sets of doubles have been played, or after singles players have played one set or have rallied for a total of 30 minutes. This means if you have already played one set and the red flag goes up you can play one more set if you are playing doubles, but if you are playing singles, you must relinquish the court immediately. Please be respectful of your fellow members and follow the red flag rules.

Club News

Club Anniversaries for February (5+ years)

Congratulations to the following members:

Tom & Sabine Middlemass
5 Years

This just in, our very own Dyle Anderson will be presented with the very prestigious USTA NorCal Player of the Year Award on February 6th at the Open and Family Awards Banquet in San Mateo. Congratulations Dyle for representing the PTC while at the top of your game.

Sad news to report – **Robert Millhouser**, a former member of the club beginning in 1988 recently passed away. He is survived by his wife Carole.

House & Grounds News

As January comes to a close and ten consecutive days of much needed rain moves to the East, the Club has started to dry out. The game of tennis is finally starting to be played again. We had a little water damage in the girl's locker room due to driving rain at the window area. The damage has been assessed, and the minor repair work has been completed, but we need to address the problem to correct this matter. At this time we have not determined the exact location of the leak, we are monitoring the situation.



Ron Martinucci

We are currently creating a comprehensive list of the "condition of the club." If anyone has any comments or suggestions, please forward them to **Lona** so that they can be included in the report. I am very fortunate to be able to retain **Stuart Batchelor** as my H&G committee head. I would like to thank Stuart in advance for all of your work at the club. We are looking forward to a fun filled 2010.

Membership News

The following family has applied to join the PTC: **Jeffrey and Mary Eliason**. The membership committee welcomes member's comments on this applicant. If you wish to provide any comments for this applicant, kindly forward them to **Lona**. Their Sponsor is **Rob Adams** and their Secunder is **Chris Cooke**.



Rob Delantoni

The new Membership Committee is currently forming. Please let me know if you want to volunteer (rdelantoni@aol.com). We only have one applicant on the waiting list and would certainly like to have more. It's a great time to get in without a big waiting list like we used to have. So if you know any potential applicants, please share the news!

Social Events News



Dennis Mayer

Nancy Batchelor and I are pleased to head up social events again this year. Along with the Tennis Committee, we have already set the calendar with our traditional social and tennis events. Both committees need people to help out. A few names have been passed along to me, but we need more help. You may be get-

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ting a call from me looking for members willing to help us this year.

Our first event this year is the 9th annual Super Bowl party and Chili-Cook Off on Sunday, February 7th. Please plan on being at the club for the kick-off with your special chili dish to share. If you are not a chili connoisseur, then plan on bringing a side dish to share and enjoy the potluck party and (hopefully) an exciting Super Bowl game. The pre-game gathering will begin at 2:30 pm. A sign-up sheet is posted in the club room. Please RSVP so we know how many people to expect and what they plan to bring to share. Don't forget to bring a few extra dollars so that you can "participate" in Taddy's Super Bowl pool & other side wagers.

Again, thank you to everyone who attended the many social events this past year. I hope you all had fun. Most of all, thank you to all who helped out last year. Please, consider putting your hat in the ring to join this year's social committee and having fun creating social memories for the PTC.

Director of Tennis News



Riaz Shivji USPTA

ADULT TENNIS

The year-end Norcal Rankings came out earlier this month and I'm really excited to let you know how many of our PTC members played and were ranked in 2009. Congratulations to you all for competing at the Sectional level and having a stellar year of tennis!

Senior Rankings:

Singles:

- M40 Singles – **Anthony Paz #8**
- M45 Singles – **Doug Stone #11**
- M60 Singles – **Jim Friedman #9**
- M75 Singles – **Rudy Gianinni #1**
- M80 Singles – **Chuck Callahan #3**
- M85 Singles – **Tom Brown #9**

Doubles:

- M85 Doubles – **Dyle Anderson #1**
- M85 Doubles – **Austin R. Sellery #1**
- W45 Doubles – **Barb Fallon #11**
- W50 Doubles – **Barb Fallon #10**

NTRP Rankings:

- 3.5 M Doubles – **Kelly Kemp # 7**
- 3.5 M Doubles – **Phil Zlatunich #7**

Open Rankings:

Father/Son Doubles:

Sonny & Brian Kyaw #1

* Sonny and Brian were also the winners of the 2009 season player of the year on Father/Son Division!

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Congratulations to *Rudy Giannini* for gaining the 2009 Norcal Senior Men's # 1 ranking in M75 Singles. Rudy beat Everett Riggle, who was ranked # 1 at the time, in a tough, grueling 3-setter here at the PTC to win the Cal State Senior Championships. Rudy puts in daily work-outs here in the PTC gym along with regular hitting and playing. This year end # 1 ranking is a testament to Rudy's hard work and dedication. *Well Done Pancho!*

Peninsula Cup

Coming up at the end of February will be the First Annual Peninsula Challenge Cup. I have been working for over one year on arranging a once a year tennis event with Peninsula Golf & Country Club. This event will take place on February 27th at 3pm. The format is still to be determined but "Peninsula" bragging rights are at stake so I am putting together a goodwill team to travel across town and take up the challenge for PTC.

SAP Open

The SAP Open is right around the corner and some great tennis will be played down at HP Pavilion in San Jose. Parent / Junior night (2/9), and Couples Night (2/12) are fully booked but tickets are still available for other day and evening sessions. Contact me at the Tennis Office to order your tickets. PTC Members will receive a group discount rate on tickets.

Our Ballkids Team will again be working the matches and have some exciting sessions to prepare for. The team will work on Tuesday, Feb. 9th at 7pm and will ballkid for Lleyton Hewitt, Tommy Haas, and the always exciting Bryan Bros! Then on Saturday, Feb 13th at 7pm, the team will ballkid the remaining Semi-Finals. Altogether a wonderful side door motivational experience for our juniors.

Pro Court was a huge success last month. Come out to enjoy drop-in play with your fellow members on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:00-11:30am. The format is determined by number of players waiting but everyone that signed in last month was able to pick up a game. Saturday, Feb 20th will be the next Pro Court day.

The Men's Drop-In Clinic will continue to be on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 7:30-9:00 am. Please note there will be no Drop-In Clinic on February 13th. The rescheduled date will be determined. **The Women's Drop-In Clinic** will continue to run on Wednesdays from 11-12:30 pm, except when I am running the PTC Morning League Team practice.

The Mixed Doubles Clinic is on Fridays from 2:00-3:30 pm. Each pair will work on movement, communication, shot selection and who

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takes the ball down the middle. The sign-up is on a weekly basis. Contact me at the beginning of each week to register.

JUNIOR TENNIS

The start date for the RS STAR Program will be Wednesday, April 7th and will run for eight weeks! Registration for Members is open NOW! There will be an RS STAR Testing Day Tuesday, March 9th at 3:30, for ALL Juniors that wish to begin, continue, or try out for STAR Programs. Contact ***Marci*** at the Tennis Office to register.

The RS Tennis Academy Mission Statement:

- To build a true love and respect for the game.
- Develop positive tennis and life skills.
- Build champions on and off the court.

Attention Members: In my opinion, the upcoming STAR Series, using the Quick Start Program, is absolutely the best and most enjoyable way to encourage children to play AND STAY in the game of tennis! All Juniors that are in Academy, started in the STAR Program and love the game.

Happy Hitting!
Riaz