



Words from “the Prez”

As usual, the month of May brought not only the wind but also the best quality tennis here at PTC. Beginning with the van Dillen Doubles Championship, working through all the brackets of the Men's Singles Championships, we also squeezed in the Junior Tournament showcasing some of the talent of the future. The tennis was exceptional and my congratulations to the winners and sincere appreciation to all who competed.

Memorial Day Weekend kicked off our summer season with the opening of the freshly painted pool. We're only days away from the end of school and the beginning of all the summer programs, all of which undoubtedly point to a very busy couple of months here at our club. The PTC prides itself on its family traditions and this year we will have more young families than ever grace our premises on a daily basis. To ensure a safe and enjoyable time by all, I suggest everyone brush up on the rules of the club and share them with your children. If you can't find your copy, they are easily obtainable by going to the PTC web site and clicking on the "Club Rules" link on the homepage.

I'm pleased to announce that the Board has formally decided to continue the tradition of hosting the California State Senior Tournament. There is still discussion as to whether we can host all divisions or some fraction thereof, but the wheels are turning and we'll make the best of what the backcourts have to offer. Thank you again to *Betty Cookson and Steve Brooks* for all your hard work producing this event.

As for our upcoming project, we continue to make progress in our effort to begin as scheduled in late August. For more on all the latest developments please read *Stuart Batchelor's* CIP message.

Congratulations to all of our families blessed with graduating students this month and a huge Happy Father's Day wish to all of the wonderful Dads here at PTC.

Upcoming Events

Twilight Tennis/Dinner
June 14

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Calcutta Dinner
June 22

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Men's Calcutta Tournament
June 23

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Women's Calcutta Tournament
June 24

Editor's Note

As one who has been involved with almost every social activity at the club over the past six years, I have noticed that the participation in many of our social events has been steadily decreasing. There may be many explanations for this, but there is one obvious reason. With 62 new members joining the PTC over the last couple of years, it seems we have not done a very good job in getting our newer members to participate in the social events. Though they read the Drop Shot and email blasts, some of our newer members are hesitant to "join in" without someone "showing them the ropes." Fortunately, this is correctible. I would like to challenge each and every sponsor of a new member during the past couple of years to personally invite them to our next event, the Twilight Tennis/Dinner on June 14th starting at 5:30 PM. It's will be a blast.

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Manager's Corner



Members, please drop by the club to check for any lost items. Our collection of lost and found items has grown, and we will soon be making a donation to a worthy local charity.

Kate Cody, Jessica Batchelor and Connor Smith return to our summer staff. Also please welcome Randee Szanto and Mark LaJoie. Kelly McGee and Sammy Fallon will also work occasionally in an "on-call" capacity.

A big thanks to **Jim Fregosi, Pam & Gordy Stroud, Stuart Batchelor and Jeff Tsu**, who helped Ramon, Paul Dau (our pool consultant) and me with the pool repainting project. It looks great and it's working fine.

Looking for an early morning hitting session? **Anthony Paz, Mark Percy, and Phil Zlatunich** are inviting you out to hit on Tuesday mornings from 6:45-8:15 AM. The goal is to work on different facets of your game versus just playing matches.

Tennis Events News

Melissa Smith writes:

A great month for PTC tennis! The traditional van Dillen Men's Doubles Tournament was held on the weekend of May 5 & 6. With the wonderful design and logistical help of **Nancy Batchelor**, we were able to make the clubhouse look a bit Wimbledonish including the van Dillen trophy holding white roses. Saturday morning kicked the event off with a light continental breakfast for the men while they received their match assignments. The afternoon matches were out of sight to watch. The real fun began with the van Dillen dinner. For those who missed it, make sure to make a point to attending next year. We had the expertise of **Maris Laipenicks** an old career foodie himself, at the barbecue in full chef regalia at the helm cooking up delicious chicken breasts and tri-tip. At the bar **Ken Cox** brought us some fabulous Meyer lemons from his neighbor's tree to make Cinco de Mayo Margaritas.

We were then entertained by **Barbara van Dillen** on the piano. The best part was when **Erik** and **Babs** spoke about the history of the event. On Sunday we were treated to the semi-finals and finals and we weren't disappointed. The finals had Championship level teams: **Erik van Dillen & Craig Zimmerman** versus **Dave Barros and Mark Campana**. The team of **Campana/ Barros** took the trophy 5-7, 7-5, 6-1. In the hard-fought 4.0+ consolation match, **Jim Fregosi & Garrett Smith** defeated **Ken March & Mark Percy**.

For the 3.5 Division, **Mark Showen & Bob Currie** defeated **Bill Alexander & Werner Yee** in a tough three set match. In the 3.5+ consolation match, **Pete Ferris & Kelly Kemp** defeated **Brian Peletta & Ben Chew** in an excellent match.

Membership News

The Men's Singles Tournament began April 30 and culminated with the finals on May 20. In the 4.0 Division, **Anthony Paz** defeated **Paul King** 6-2, 6-3. In the 3.5 Division, **Rudy Giannini** defeated **Bob Currie**, 6-1, 6-4. Thank you to all who came to watch these wonderful matches and many thanks to those of you who gave endless hours to make these events possible.

Our next Tennis event is the always-popular **Calcutta Tournament**. The Men's Division will be held on Saturday June 23rd while the Women's Division will be held on Sunday June 24th. The Calcutta is an all-doubles tournament consisting of six teams with six players each. The sign-up sheets for the tournament will be up on the clubhouse bulletin board soon.

Club News

Comings & goings...

Please help me welcome five new member/families to the club.

They are:

David & Jill Andrews	685-5671
Brad & Suzanne Craig	344-9754
Becky & Bill Homan	571-9454
David & Michelle Hyman	340-9801
Shannon & Dennis Wong	348-8568

We have had one family submit their application during May.

They are:

Matt & Yana Maloney **Mark Safran & Rob Adams (sponsors)**

Club News

Capital Improvement Project (CIP) by **Stuart Batchelor**,

Progress is being made with our Capital Improvement Project and we are on schedule for a late August ('07) groundbreaking. During the month of May the following activity took place:

The Club submitted plans to the City of Burlingame for review.

This review took the City just over two weeks to complete and we are now going through their comments and preparing our response. Our response will take several weeks (2-4) to formulate as we need to provide the City with detailed plans for the entire project.

The Club has selected Gonsalves & Stronck (G&S) as our general contractor and project manager. G&S has extensive experience in the development of aquatic facilities throughout the Bay Area. You can check them out by going to their web site: <http://www.gs-construction.com/>

G&S is currently involved in a major renovation of the Alpine Hills tennis club where they are building three new pools, new exercise facilities, and a complete rebuild of their locker rooms. G&S is uniquely positioned to work well with PTC on our project due to their background and experience. G&S is already engaged in looking

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at the best pool contractors for our project and is soliciting bids from all the different sub-contractors that will be needed.

The Club has ended its relationship with Matrix who has been our project management firm up through the submission of plans to the City. The Club believes that G&S is better positioned to advise the Club of issues going into the bidding and construction phase.

A group of PTC members has requested that the Club review the possibility of installing a cushioned surface on the frontcourts as part of the project. The Club is actively investigating the different options. The two most common surfaces in use over the last couple of years are Plexicushion (installed by Alpine Hills) and DecoTurf (Tiburon Tennis Club, US Open). Click on either name and you will go to their web site. Paul King will be taking a group of members to Tiburon in mid-June to test out the DecoTurf courts. If you are interested in joining this group or have an opinion on this new cushioned surface, please call Paul at (650)364-8014. The final decision on the surfacing will not be made until later in the year and will be based on member feedback and cost implications.

In June the Club will continue working with our architects and G&S to push the project forward for a late August kick-off. Please do not hesitate to send comments or questions to either **Bob Sinclair** or **Stuart Batchelor** in regards to the Capital Improvement Project.

Club Anniversaries for June –

Congratulations to the following members:

Travis Poindexter 20 Years
David Coar 20 Years

USTA Tennis Teams – May Match Play

Women's 4.0	Won 3, Lost 0
Women's 3.5	Won 2, Lost 2
SS 65 Men's 6.0	Won 1, Lost 1
Men's 3.0	Won 0, Lost 3
Mixed 50 8.0	Won 1, Lost 1

Yoga Anyone?

As an intro to the fall yoga series, Jean-Yves, members may attend one of two free classes offered on Thursdays July 19 and 26th. The times will be announced.

Our theme for the 1st Twilight Tennis evening on June 14th is: "Yo

Social Events News

Ho, Yo Ho... It's a Pirates Life for Me!" Don your pirate regalia and come swashbuckling your way through a few games of mixed doubles starting at 5:30 PM with dinner served at 7:00 PM. Grilled fare, drinks & dessert will be provided by the Social Committee. Sign up in the clubhouse or call PTC to RSVP & please confirm bringing an appetizer, salad or side dish for 8-10 people. **Captain Currie** is looking for a few good mates!

Whether you play in the Calcutta Tournament or not, the pre-tournament dinner is always one of the liveliest evening events of the year. It is hosted annually by **John Stone** and promises to be full of laughs. It will be held on Friday June 22nd, the night before the Men's Division. Please sign-up in the clubhouse starting the first week in June.

Director of Tennis News

The 5th Annual PTC Junior Tennis Tournament presented by RS Tennis Academy was held on May 18-20. Over 50 juniors participated in the 12's, 14's, and 18's age divisions. We had some great matches and also many children playing their first tennis tournament right here at PTC. Congratulations to the following winners:



B12's Novice Singles - Carter Kremer
G12's Novice Singles - Uma Murphy
B14's Open Singles - Brian Kyaw
B18's Open Singles - Taylor Chaparro
B12's Novice Doubles - Carter Kremer/Robbie Hauselt
G12's Novice Doubles - Lena Mendelson/Kristen Chaney
B14's Open Doubles - Brian Kyaw/Scott Brunstein
B18's Open Doubles - Willy Huang/Steve Roston

The Roy Evars Sportsmanship Award given to the player who exhibits the finest sportsmanship and fair play during the tournament will be presented to the most deserving Junior on Junior Day Monday, June 18th.

It was a very successful event with almost 30 PTC juniors participating. A big thank you goes out to our sponsors; Head/Penn (Balls), K-Swiss (Tee-shirts/Shoes), Nike/USPTA (Tennis Shoes/Prizes). Thank you also to La Corneta, the new Mexican Restaurant (Burlingame Ave) for providing player lunches on Saturday, 19th.

A heartfelt thank you to my fellow tournament committee members **Nancy Batchelor, Marci Martinucci, Debbie Oldham, Marissa Hauselt, & Jessica Batchelor** for all of your unwavering support and hard work in making this event special for the Juniors. Many Academy players were also on hand to help with tournament errands and duties. Thank you players. I'd like to also acknowledge the help of **Graham Shaw, Jeff Tsu and Glenn Mendelson** who are always on hand for all of our Junior events. You are the best!

JUNIOR DAY is Monday June 18th from 1:30-5:30 PM. This is a fun-filled afternoon of tennis, games, drills, prizes, swimming, ping pong and activity for Junior members and children participating in RS Academy tennis clinics this summer. Riaz and his USPTA certified staff will provide an orientation for all Juniors explaining the RS Academy coaching and mentoring philosophy along with our code of conduct. This is open to children ages 6 and up. Call Riaz to register. The cost will be \$10 per Junior.

Summer Tennis Program

Session 1: June 18 - June 21
Session 2: June 25 - June 28
Session 3: July 2 - July 5
Session 4: July 9 - July 12
Session 5: July 16 - July 19
Session 6: July 23 - July 26
Session 7: July 30 - Aug 2
Session 8: Aug 6 - Aug 9

*Please note that the Academy and Junior Academy are Monday thru Friday.

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Academy (Ranked juniors only ages 12-18)

Juniors must be self-motivated, dedicated, and committed to improving. Dynamic Warm-up. Competitive Drilling, High Performance Match play & Video Analysis, Speed/Footwork Training, Strength/Conditioning, Tournament Prep, and Challenge Ladder. Build successful strategies on and off the court.

1:30-5:30pm Monday - Friday.

Members: \$400 / Non-Members: \$450

Junior Academy (USTA Novice and Challenger Tournament players ages 10-14)

Juniors must have at least USTA Novice level experience and be looking to raise their level of play. Dynamic Warm-up, Learning to compete at a higher level, Improving Modern Strokes and Skill Base, Honing Fundamentals, Conditioning/Stretch, Match play, Tournament Prep, and Challenge Ladder. Great program for young tournament players.

1:30 - 4:30pm Monday - Friday.

Member: \$300 / Non-members: \$350

Red Star (Intermediate level juniors ages 10-16)

Juniors must have taken instruction in the past and be able to serve, rally and score. Dynamic Warm-up, Drilling, Modern Fundamentals, Stroke Improvement, Match play, Conditioning/Footwork, Teamwork. Competitive games based drills from positive, experienced coaches, interclub matches. For Juniors wishing to improve their level of play and understanding of the game.

3:30 - 4:30pm Monday - Thursday.

Members: \$100 / Non-members: \$125

Blue Star (Novice/Intermediate Level ages 10-14)

Juniors must have some tennis experience and be able to serve and rally. Dynamic Warm-up, Drilling, FUNDamentals, Footwork and Movement Training, Teamwork, Sportsmanship. Challenging games based drills with an emphasis on improvement and fun, interclub matches.

3:30-4:30pm Monday - Thursday.

Members: \$100 / Non-members: \$125

Green Star (Beg./Novice juniors ages 7-9)

Juniors that have had little or no tennis experience will start in this great learning environment. Fun and innovative games and drills are used to help children with their Movement and Balance, Motor Skills, Athletic Foundation, beginning Modern Stroke development, and working together. Great way to start your child on the road to loving the game!

4:30-5:30pm Monday - Thursday.

Members: \$100 / Non-members: \$125

RS Tennis Academy Mission:

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

Registration for RS Tennis Academy sessions is open and available at www.rstennis.com. Click the "summer" tab and you can register your youngster for tennis clinics run by Riaz and his professional and positive staff.

Congratulations to the Fightin' Tulip Women's Day League Team from PTC. After moving up last year we had a solid season gaining 113 points and placing fourth. Many hours were put in by all the ladies at team practices and the improvements made paid off in many victories and close defeats. I want to say a big thank you to all the players for their hard work, commitment to the team, and best snacks in the league. A big thank you to captains Lisa Rogers and Nancy Batchelor for their effort and dedication to the team.

For you 4.0+ men, let me know if you are interested in Academy Morning Madness on Friday mornings during the summer. I plan to run a Boot Camp for guys wanting to get in some more intense court hitting and conditioning. This is a Men's-only group that will train together and work on speed, agility, strength, power, and flexibility using jump rope, med balls, balance boards, foot speed ladder, resistance bands, and court training aids. A great morning workout for the player that is committed to getting in tip-top shape and is ready for a rigorous training session. Training fee required. Call Riaz to sign up.

I am writing this from **Cuernavaca, Mexico** where I am playing in the Osuna Cup for team USA. Players from Mexico and the US battle it out in singles and doubles play over three days. We just arrived and are looking to get some practice on the clay before the official matches start. I know the Mexicans have stacked their team this year so we'll see what happens. Team USA has reservations about being on the dirt where the Mexicans are very tough. Results will be in next month's Inside Tennis.

That's it for this month. Members, remember to sign your child up for Junior Day (June 18th). See you on the courts, remember...close is good!!

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PTC Court Calendar

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