

JUNE 2010

President's Message



Jerry Ceglia

We had another action-packed month at PTC with League play, the Junior Tournament, kicking off the Men's Singles Tournament and lots of planning and work from the Tennis and Social committees - thanks to all.

The fun will continue in June with the van Dillen Doubles Championships this weekend, the Singles Tournament Finals, Twilight Tennis, continued League play and start of the Junior Summer Program. June also brings the end of the school year and an increase in the use of the courts, pool, spa and snack bar - a busy time here at our club.

PTC continues the tradition of engaging families in activities more than ever. To ensure a safe and enjoyable time by all this summer, please everyone brush up on the rules of the club and share them

Upcoming Events

Men's Singles Finals
Sunday, June 13

•
Twilight Tennis
New Member Welcome
June 24

•
Woods-N-Whites
July 4

•
July Twilight Tennis
July 15

•
Quarterly Membership Meeting
July 20

with your children - they are easily available on the PTC website.

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

Editor's Note



Jeff Tateosian

As the saying goes, old newsletter editors never fade away, they just keep on writing. My thanks to **Lee Bradford** (Drop Shot editor

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from 1997–2007) for putting together a nice article (in Club News) on **Rob Delantoni's** PTC PowerPoint presentation on the history of the PTC to the Burlingame Historical Society. Well done by two veterans of the trade.

Manager's Corner



Lona Means

Summer is just around the corner and I am looking forward to a fun filled summer at the PTC.

A few safety reminders to keep in mind:

- Youths under age 10 require active adult supervision at all times.
- Youths under age 14 are not permitted to swim without adult supervision when lifeguard is not on duty.
- Youths are not permitted on premises without adult supervision after 5:00pm.
- Youths under age 7 are not permitted in the spa at any time.
- From 5:00–7:00pm, the spa is reserved for adult use only.

Lifeguards will be on duty on weekends from 1:00–5:00pm until June 13th and daily thereafter. Happy Father's Day and congratulations to all of the graduating seniors this year!

Members – There were a couple of instances this week where member teenagers were at the club after hours (doors open because of USTA league play) and not behaving in a good way. **Children of members under 18 are not permitted in the PTC after 5:00pm**

without active adult member supervision. Please help to insure our club rules are followed.

Membership News

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Current membership: 235

Membership goal: 240

Junior member applicants: 0



Rob Delantoni

Member Inquiries: we have 2 email inquiries and 1 solid referral for a membership.

New Members:

Marcus and Jamie Shen, and their two young children Abigail and Elenor.



Marcus is a particularly good player, having played at the college level for CAL, and Jamie has played as well and has a lot of potential. We are looking forward to officially welcoming them and introducing their family to our members. If you are looking for a game with Marcus (4.0) or Jamie (3.0), phone: 650-347-1008.

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Report on the Historical Society event:
On Sunday, May 16, the PTC hosted the quarterly meeting of the Burlingame Historical Society. A one-hour PowerPoint presentation about the history of the PTC was well received by all. Our special guests included our own living history members **Dyle Anderson** and **Tom Brown**, as well as a surprise visit from two old members from the 1950's, **Kent Lauder** and **Bill Sherrard**. Hopefully this event, which was attended by about 50 non-members, will raise some public interest in the PTC and generate some new membership applications.

This event got a little challenging to pull together, and its success is owed in large part to the generous help and contributions of many PTC members, especially **Rob Adams, Kelly and Natalie Kemp, Ron Martinucci, Steve Benvenuto, Steve Brooks, Dan DeWitt, Gary Goodman, Mark Talmadge**, and your hard working membership committee members **Becky Showen, Melissa Smith, Jeff Tsu, Steve Balchios, Glenn Mendelson, and Ken March**. Thank you all, and thanks to any people I may have inadvertently overlooked.

Club News

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

Steve & Linda Benvenuto 15 Years

Congratulations to BHS players **Palmer Mendelson & Erik Chaney** for winning the Peninsula Athletic League Doubles Championship for the second year in a row. Help me wish them well playing at the college level next year.

Attention Yoga fans – Jean Yves will be running Yoga classes in the clubhouse on June 10 & 17 from 7:15 – 8:45 PM. The cost is \$18 and you can drop in on any of the classes. Jean's contact info is jeanyvesyoga@gmail.com or 415-336-8577. You can also contact **Joni Amaroli** at the club for further details.

A Look Back at the PTC – by **Lee Bradford**.

Wow! What an interesting show about the early days of the PTC that **Rob Delantoni** and the Membership Committee put on in our clubhouse Sunday afternoon, May 16, for the entertainment/enlightenment of the Burlingame Historical Society. Did you know that our old photos and scrapbooks were on their way to the trash collectors several years ago? Fortunately, they were rescued, scanned, digitized, and so some 2000 images were saved. Many photos showed people who were not identified, and it was fun to hear people in the audience, including old-timers **Kent Lauder & Bill Sherrard**, sing out, "That's my grandmother," and "That's my dad." It was a rousing slide show Rob gave on a big wide screen, and there was much good-natured give and take from the audience – including colorful tidbits of the past from **Dyle Anderson & Tom Brown**.

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Bet you didn't know the following: where our PTC now is/was in the early 1930s, pastureland for cattle, horses, and a polo field... that our founding fathers had the chance to buy up all the land from here to the shores of San Francisco Bay for about \$900 (too much of a princely sum in those days, so they passed)... in the beginning, this was a do-it-yourself club - members chipped in to cut the lawn, mark the lines, and tend the dirt (clay) courts... At a match in 1936, early member Elia Fottrell beat the legendary British champ, Fred Perry.... In 1948, we bid for - and got the National Junior Hardcourts, held here from 1949-1989. Jimmy Connors, Pancho Gonzales, **Erik van Dillen**, Ann Kiyomura, Billie Jean King, Pete Sampras, Jennifer Capriati, Roscoe Tanner, and Pat McEnroe were among those who went on to the big time...Bing Crosby, then a Hillsborough resident, opened the Junior tournament one year...Why did that tournament leave? "They simply outgrew us," Rob explained... the California State Championships, now known as the California State Seniors, has been held here since 1962... At a doubles match for 55 year olds in 1974, our venerable **Sardis Farmer** (and partner) beat, of all people, Don Budge!... And how about the flags of 13 nations displayed in our clubroom? They were left here as thanks for our having hosted a major international event in 1992, the annual von Cramm Cup, named for the famous German player of pre-World War II. These were just some of the highlights from a fast-moving hour. Thanks for the memories, Rob! Hope such a show can be given again.

Roster Book update - Al Chamberlain has an updated home phone number. It is 259-9507.

Tennis Activities News

June is here and we are looking forward to our summer tennis events. The van Dillen Doubles Tournament just concluded this past weekend... PTC was buzzing with tennis energy as 48 men came with energy, and game to compete for the coveted 2010 vanDillen Championship title.



Karen Harrigan

2010 Champions

- 3.5 Division Champions
Don Bartels and Mike Buckmaster
- 4.0 Division Champions
Rudy Giannini and Steve Rogers
- Open Division Champions
Reynold Harbin and Mark Strem

2010 Finalists

- 3.5 Division Finalists
Mark Showen and Rick Kasuga
- 4.0 Division Finalists
Tom Middlemass and Mark Percy
- Open Finalists
Gary Goodman and Anthony Paz

Consolation Winners

- 3.5 Division Consolation Winners
Ben Chew and Jeff Katz
- 4.0 Division Consolation Winners
Rob Adams and Chris Cooke
- Open Division Consolation Winners
Mark and Spencer Talmadge

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Sunshine, overheads, fist bumps, tight tie-breakers, roars of cheers, gallery of fans, tradition, good food, tasty margaritas, laughter, camaraderie, **Riaz** and **Doug** in the ump chairs, many thank you's, and **Hague van Dillen's** first year as the van Dillen family MC were all highlights that made this Annual PTC tradition a success.

Thank you to the participants, the fans, the many volunteers from both the social committee and the tennis committee. Thanks to **Dennis Mayer**, **Nancy Batchelor**, **Doug Stone**, **Joni Amaroli**, **Marci Martinucci**; and our dedicated staff of **Riaz & Lona**. Most importantly **Hague and Babes van Dillen** for supporting and continuing this valued PTC tradition. Hague, you did PTC and the van Dillen family proud on Sunday. We look forward to you playing in the event and leading many more award speeches in our future.

The Men's Singles Tournament concludes on June 13th with the much anticipated finals. Come cheer our singles finalists as the battle for the 2010 PTC title.

On July 4th, Riaz will continue his Woods and Whites tradition. Sign-ups will be posted soon for this holiday event. Remember to dress in all white and bring your wood racquets.

August 21 and 22nd features the ever-popular Calcutta Tournament with all its traditional activities. Get ready to place your bets and participate in team competition with our "PTC gamers."

House & Grounds News



Ron Martinucci

A big thank you goes out to club member **Phil Zlatunich** for installing the new dishwasher in the snack bar and securing two parking stall bumpers in our parking area. We really appreciate his expertise.

I want to wish everyone a good summer and to enjoy everything the club has to offer. Please follow the club rules and be courteous to your fellow members and their families. Happy Summer!

Social Events News



Dennis Mayer

Caribbean Night Twilight Tennis – Come join us on Thursday, June 24th from 5:30pm till 9:00pm at **Paradise PTC** for the annual "kickoff to summer" Twilight Tennis event. The event will be organized by **Ken March** and the Men's 4.0 team, **Marisa Wachhorst** and the Women's 3.5 team, as well as the Social Committee. The headliner of this Twilight is the meeting and introduction of our newest members of the PTC. Come & enjoy the tennis, music, good food & friends both old & new. The sign-up sheet will be posted in the Club Room the first week of June. You can also either e-mail (manager@ptctennis.com) or call Lona at 347-1439. The cost of the event will be

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\$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children or a \$20.00 flat fee for the whole family.

Director of Tennis News



Riaz Shivji USPTA

Adult Tennis

Pro Court will continue its successful run through the summer.

The next date will be on

Saturday, June 19th from 9:00–11:30am. Come out and enjoy mixing in with fellow members!

The Women's Drop-In Clinic continues every Wednesday from 11am–12:30pm. This is open to women of all abilities.

For all you singles players, I have been running a very successful singles match play lesson series during the month of May and will continue through June. Contact me to schedule a lesson. These are co-ed and for all levels.

I'm interested in starting a coed, ratings-based, team style practice for members. If you are interested, please let me know.

The Men's Singles Tournament has provided some great matches in all divisions. We are now at the Quarter Final stage and the matches are getting tighter and tighter. Don't forget to put Sunday, June 13th on your calendar as we will hold all the Singles Finals here at PTC. Players please remember to schedule your matches so we can play all Finals on June 13th.

We have some great new Wilson rackets for members to demo. They will all be available for you to try out during the first Twilight Tennis Mixer on June 24th. If anyone likes any of the latest styles they can be purchased at Tennis Station along with free Wilson string. Stop by the Tennis Office to check them out.

Junior Tennis

On May 22/23 we held our 8th Annual Junior Tennis Tournament. A total of 119 Juniors from around the Bay Area competed in U12 and U14 Novice and Challenger level events. 26 PTC Junior Members participated, which is the most we have ever had in one USTA tournament! Congratulations to all of our Academy players for playing hard, but more importantly playing fair and showing how to win with class and lose with dignity. PTC Winners include **Nate Safran** (B12 Challenger) and **Zach Wong** (B12 Novice and Jr Academy player). We had one consolation winner – **Sammy Kotmel** (G12 Novice – Jr. Academy player). Our STAR philosophy was clear to see from our Academy players and I would like to personally congratulate our Juniors for their outstanding fair play and sportsmanship throughout the event:

Overall PTC had 26 Juniors that played in this event and represented our club very admirably. Most of them were playing their first or second tennis tournament. They all played hard and did their best which is all that we ask of them.

A huge thank you to the following volunteers, who helped with everything

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from running the BHS Satellite courts, to court monitors, to a hugely successful BBQ crew... **WE NEVER COULD HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT ALL OF YOU!** *Marci Martinucci, Steve Brooks, Karen Harrigan, Joni Amaroli, Martin Montes, Matt Hauselt, Chris Batchelor, Max Willis, Zach Martinucci, Andrew Benson, Erik Chaney, Palmer Mendelson, Rudy Gianinni, Jane Percy, Debbie Oldham, Ron Martinucci, Jeff Tsu, Terry Yee, Nancy Chew, and Lona Means.*

Summer Tennis

Summer Program registration is open online at www.rstennis.com. The Summer Program will begin with Junior Opening Day on Monday, June 14th. We will offer 9 one-week sessions of camp, with closing day on August 13th. USTA Junior Team Tennis is available for players enrolled in the summer program and we will hold matches and practice sessions throughout the summer.

Junior Team Tennis begins mid June. The USTA Northern California Junior Team Tennis Championship will be held in Clovis, CA on August 6 – 8. We are hoping to have Boys and Girls teams in the U12, U15 and U18 divisions. Our goal is to enjoy the competition and help each other improve on and off the court!

There will be a short informational meeting for PTC Juniors and their parents on Wednesday, June 9th, 6:00–7:00pm in the PTC Clubhouse. All PTC parents are advised to attend and bring their Juniors. Information regarding tennis clinics, lessons, summer guide-

lines, and how to have the best time at PTC will be given. Pizza will be served!

Summer Staff

My summer staff is set and ready to bring lots of energy and enthusiasm to the courts! Exciting QuickStart, RallyBall, and Matchplay programs will be utilized to engage our Juniors and help them with the fundamentals as well as show more advanced concepts to our Jr. Academy and Academy players. Please stop by and say hi to **Albert Vial, Taylor Chaparro, Matt Hauselt,** and of course, **Marci!**

2010 Bank of the West Classic, will be held July 26th – August 1st, at the Taube Family Tennis Stadium, Stanford University. The Bank of the West Classic is the longest-running women-only professional tennis tournament in the world! It is the first stop of the Olympus US Open Series! Our Ballkids team will again be working the matches throughout the week. I will also be organizing our 6th annual PTC Quarter Finals night.

Looking forward to a great summer of tennis!

Cheers!

Riaz

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Peninsula Tennis Club ~ Court Calendar

Jun 2010 (Pacific Time)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Men's 5.0	8am - Lessons 11am - Ladies 1pm - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Women's	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Men's 3.0 7:15pm - Yoga	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	10am - Men's 1pm - Lessons 5pm - van
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10am - van	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Women's	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Men's 4.0	8am - Lessons 11am - Ladies 1pm - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Ladies 6pm - Parent	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Women's 7:15pm - Yoga	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	1pm - Lessons
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9am - Men's 1pm - Men's 4.0	7am - Back 1:30pm - Junior 6pm - Men's 3.0	7am - Front 8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Women's	8am - Lessons 11am - Ladies 1pm - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	8am - Lessons 11am - Super 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Women's 7:15pm - Yoga	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	9am - Pro Court 1pm - Lessons
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
1pm - Men's 3.5	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 6pm - Men's 4.0	8am - Lessons 11am - Ladies 1pm - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	8am - Lessons 11am - Super 3:30pm - Junior 5pm - Twilight 7:15pm - Yoga	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	1pm - Lessons
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
	7am - Back 8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	7am - Front 8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	8am - Lessons 11am - Ladies 1pm - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior 7:15pm - Yoga	8am - Lessons 3:30pm - Junior	12pm - Yee & Ja 1pm - Lessons