

October 2010

President's Message



Jerry Ceglia

Summer weather has arrived a little late this year and yet, while the warmer temps continue through the next couple weeks, the pool heater will remain on. We'll monitor the weather and the usage on a week-to-week basis and turn it off when it makes sense.

The tennis continues through the fall:

- Events include Women's Doubles in October and Mixed Doubles in November.
- From our Tennis Director and the survey results, a couple more opportunities to improve your game.
- USTA League Play - 4 teams; USPTL - 2 teams.

Look for more details in the other sections of the Drop Shot and upcoming blasts.

In response to the suggestions of our members' inputs, we have other projects in progress:

Upcoming Events

•
Club Gin Doubles Tournament
Friday October 22nd

•
Ladies Doubles Tournament
Sunday October 24th

•
Quarterly Membership Meeting
Tuesday November 16th

•
Mixed Team Tennis
Sunday November 20

•
Holiday Party
December 11
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- Repair of rain drainage on Court #4.
- Replacement of the court benches.
- Upgrade of the website.

Thank you all for your constructive ideas.

Finally, as we usually do at this time of year, our maintenance service is reduced in relation to the club usage. We will continue 7-day per week coverage, but with fewer hours per day to continue to be fiscally responsible while continuing to keep our club looking good.

Thanks for a great summer and we look forward to seeing you at the Membership Meeting next month.

Editor's Note



Jeff Tateosian

On September 9th, the skies lit up around San Bruno and changed the lives of many people. One of them was PTC member, **Teddy Bernardo**, who lost his house and all of their possessions. It has been a trying time for Teddy, Maria and the kids. Matt, his 19 year old son and Isabel, their 6 year old daughter, were alone and were very lucky to get out of the house. If Matt had either tried to retrieve any valuables or go to the garage to try and drive out, it could have been a completely different story. **Rob Adams, Mike Amaroli**, and I have stayed in contact with Teddy from the beginning to see how we could help his family out. Initiated by Rob a few days after the fire, five members got together to help purchase a new computer for his son that was needed for college. After seeing the tears of joy in what we might consider a small gesture, we knew that we needed to do more.

Many members have come up to us asking how they could help. The three of us started the "Teddy Fund" last week and contacted some of his member friends. Our goal was to pay off his quarterly dues coming up this week. We have pulled the invoice from Lona so that it will not be sent to him. Depending on how large the donations are after paying off his dues, we will either buy off an additional quarter of dues three months from now, or take the remaining money and buy restaurant gift cards for the family.

Teddy is a proud man and we feel that this is a great way to help a wonderful family during their time of need. They have just moved into an apartment this week.

I had another insurance client whose house was in the fire and after spending time with both them and Teddy, it is clear that the emotional side of things will be a much longer process than even I would have thought. Teddy said that one friend recently told him that (looking on the positive side) at least you will come out of this with a brand new house. Teddy responded by saying, "that's the furthest thing from our minds," and in the same sentence said, "we would rather have our 55 year old house back."

If you would like to help us reach our goal, please contact Lona or myself (jeff@ptctennis.com) for more information. As of this writing, we have 36 members who have generously donated to our Teddy Fund. Besides individual members getting together to do something for our friend, the PTC Board has graciously given credit for Teddy's family to replace his family's tennis clothes and equipment at the Tennis Station. The club has also donated an American Express Gift Card to help out with some of their immediate needs. It is a beautiful thing to see both the PTC and individual members working to help out a great fellow member during a very difficult time. If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate getting a hold of any one of us.

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Manager's Corner



Lona Means

I sound like a broken record, but please respect your fellow members by signing in all guests at the entrance podium. Typically the pool heater is turned off on October 1st, but since we are finally enjoying some nice warm weather, the board has agreed to consider leaving the heater on until either the member usage subsides and/or the weather changes. I am looking forward to a nice and balmy fall season.

Club News

Club Anniversaries for October
Congratulations to the following members:

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|------------------------------------|----------|
| Jeff & Kathy Tsu | 10 Years |
| Mark & Cheryl Patterson | 10 Years |
| Karl & Debbie Bakhtiari | 5 Years |
| Gary & Lynn Goodman | 5 Years |

Congratulations to Craig Andrews & Ken Sorenson who beat **Maris Laipeniaks & Doug Detata** in the finals of the 3rd Annual PTC Gin Tournament. A good time was had by all.

Calling all Poker players – the 3rd Annual Club Hold'em Poker Tournament will be held on Friday October 22nd starting at 6:00 pm in the clubhouse. The buy-in is \$40 and will include dinner, drinks and prize pool. Let's see who will have their names engraved next to **Ben Chew** and **John Stone** on the perpetual championship trophy. Please

sign up in the club house or RSVP to Lona. If you have any questions on the tournament, please contact Jeff at jeff@ptctennis.com.

Ballroom Dancing classes have had two great sessions so far, with four more weekly classes still to go. Twenty six members (with a "wide variety" of dancing abilities), have mastered the Waltz. Since the success of this class, plans are to organize another six week session in a couple of months. Stay tuned.

Sad news to pass along – Valerie Schmidt, a long-time member passed away on August 30th. Val joined the club in 1967 as a Senior member and was very active in the club. As a Junior member, she regularly played in the National Hardcourts. She will be missed.

House & Grounds News



Ron Martinucci

We are finally getting our summer weather. Along with that good news, we received our replacement parts for the barbeque and **Stuart Bachelor** got it up and running.

We are looking for a reconditioned upright bike for the fitness room, since the other one has been acting up for a while now.

By the end of the month, we will begin to get ready for the winter season on the front courts by removing the

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full screens and replacing with the half screens. This allows more sunlight and ventilation to help dry out the poolside portion at the base of the fence at Courts 1, 2 and 3.

Finally, thank you for making the extra effort to clean up after your family and guests around the pool, barbeque area, Junior room and locker rooms. Have fun and enjoy your club this fall.

Tennis Activities News

Fall is upon us and the 2010 Tennis Season is winding down. We have two more tennis events to mark on your calendar.



Karen Harrigan

October 17th - Women's Doubles Tournament. This event is quickly approaching and we are still low on sign-ups. **Joni Amaroli** has secured beautiful vests for the winners. Sign-up is posted at the main entrance or feel free to email Lona if you want to be included as the draws will close on Monday, October 10th! This should be a fun event with great tennis and followed by wine, cheese and prizes. If you need a partner, let us know and we will try to find you one.

November 20th - Mixed Team Tennis. This will be open to the first 24 Men and 24 Women to sign up. Each team will consist of 3 men and 3 women. Please sign up early to ensure a great final 2010 tennis event for all. Sign-up will be posted November 1st! Look forward to seeing you all on the courts.

Membership News

No new members to report this month, but a Meet N-Greet for our newest applicant, Brian Himbecker took place last Sunday. He is sponsored by **Gary Goodman** and



Rob Delantoni

Ed Brown. Brian is a very strong player and would be a great addition for the club. We also have almost a dozen pending inquiries from interested prospects and potential applicants. Your membership committee is doing its best to keep in touch with them and keep them interested in joining the club in the future.

Resignations: *Paul King*

Requests for Inactive Status: *Gordon & Sarah Hodge, who have moved to Seattle.*

Social Events News



Dennis Mayer

Our next social event on the PTC calendar is our Holiday Party. Reserve December 11 on your calendar now. It's a busy time of the year and we hope that you'll plan to be here with us to celebrate this time of year.

Director of Tennis News



Riaz Shivji USPTA

ADULT TENNIS
The 2010 California State Senior Tennis Championships here at PTC were a huge success! It was a week of

great tennis, and it was so nice to see many spectators show their support throughout the tournament. There were 179 players this year, which was an increase from the last few years. This is a great event, and one that we are very thrilled to host at Peninsula Tennis Club. We are also proud to announce that we had several champions, who are also club members...congratulations to all!

State Champions:

Rudy Gianinni - M75s
Rob Delantoni/Maris Laipenieks M60d
Dyle Anderson/Austin Sellery M85d
Gordon Nagare/Linda Nagare MX45d
Anne Gianinni/Cynthia Shannon W45d
Linda Pene Nagare W50s

This event could never have been possible, without the help and support of our incredible volunteer staff! These volunteers were on hand to handle everything from the check in desk, to monitoring the courts and of course a fantastic barbecue crew! Many of the volunteers worked countless hours, to provide a spectacular event for all of the tournament players. I can't thank the following members enough for their time, effort and support for the Cal State Tournament:

Marci Martinucci, Lona Means, Steve Brooks, Betty Cookson, Mitch Wakasa,

Marv Charney, Karen Harrigan, Jenny Smith, Debbie Oldham, Dennis Huardo, Ron Martinucci, Jeff Tsu Marissa Hauselt, Nancy Batchelor, Rob Adams, Katie Adams, Steve Balchios & Doug Stone.

Team News

Congratulations to the PTC Men's 4.0 Senior Team Captained by Jim Friedman. They played very tough all season and just won the League Playoffs this past Saturday here at home. Many members were here to watch the guys play a determined University Club, but our boys didn't buckle and came through with a great win. Now it's on to District Playoffs in Carmel! Go PTC!

Captain **Sharon Marson** reports her PTC Women's 7.5 Combo team has had an awesome season. With 14 teams in our division, our PTC team ended up in first place. Our first play-off match will be Saturday, October 30 at 1:00 pm at the PTC. We would love for everyone to come on and cheer for the team!

LESSONS

In response to the tennis survey, two additions to the tennis program will be starting soon.

A new ratings based tennis clinic will run from 12:00-1:30 pm on the 1st Saturday of each month. Each clinic will have 4-6 openings and players will work on strokes, court position, shot selection, and doubles match play. Fee is \$20-\$30 per person depending on how many players. Every month the rating level of the clinic will change to allow all members to participate. The first clinic

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starts on Saturday, November 6th and will be for 3.5 women. Contact me to register each month.

A one hour private lesson spot will be open for adult members every Wednesday at 5:30 pm. Every week a different member can take this lesson spot. If you would like this spot next week please contact me at the Tennis Office.

Pro Court will run on the 3rd Saturday of October from 9:00-11:30 am. Come out to "mix in" with fellow members!

JUNIOR TENNIS

The Fall Tennis Program is under way with Juniors taking instruction in the following groups:

Monday 3:30-5:30 - Jr. Academy II (ages 10-14).

Jr. Academy II Juniors are up and coming tournament level players playing at least USTA Novice level.

Tuesday 3:30-5:30 - Jr. Grippers (ages 8-14).

Jr. Grippers have participated and graduated from Red Star and are training towards Jr. Academy II.

Wednesday 3:30-5:00 - Red/Blue STAR (ages 8-14).

STAR Juniors are learning to rally and play together. Children that have started in the STAR Program will benefit from the progressive system of instruction which leads towards our Gripper and Jr. Academy levels.

Thursday 3:30-5:30 - Advanced Training Program (ages 12-16).

USTA Ranked players that are training for Open and Championship level play.

Friday - 3:30-5:30 - Jr. Academy I (ages 10-16).

Jr. Academy I players are training for tournament and school tennis match play.

The Fall Junior Program will run for eight weeks. Sportsmanship, Teamwork, Attitude and Respect are addressed at all times - **S.T.A.R!**

Confidence is the belief in yourself and respect for your opponent.

Cockiness is the belief in yourself MINUS respect for your opponent. Play with CONFIDENCE!

2010 Annual Gin Rummy Tournament



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Peninsula Tennis Club ~ Court Calendar

Oct 2010 (Pacific Time)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|---|
| 26 3pm - 8.0 | 27 7am - Back 3:30pm - Junio | 28 7am - Front 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - Junio 7pm - Ballroo | 29 9am - SFPTL 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - STAR | 30 7:15am - Yoqa 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - Junio | 1 3:30pm - Junio | 2 1pm - Men's 1pm - Private 3pm - 7.5 |
| 3 1pm - Meet N | 4 9am - Anthony 3:30pm - Jr. | 5 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - Jr. 7pm - Ballroo | 6 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - STAR | 7 7:15am - Yoqa 9am - Tennis 4:30pm - ATP | 8 3:30pm - Jr. | 9 1pm - Lessons 1pm - Women' 3pm - Women' |
| 10 1pm - Men's 3pm - 8.0 | 11 9am - Anthony 3:30pm - Jr. | 12 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - Jr. 7pm - Ballroo | 13 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - STAR | 14 7:15am - Yoqa 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - ATP | 15 3:30pm - Jr. | 16 9am - Pro 1pm - Lessons 1pm - Men's 3pm - Women' |
| 17 1pm - Women' | 18 9am - Anthony 3:30pm - Jr. | 19 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - Jr. 7pm - Ballroo | 20 9am - SFPTL 9am - Tennis 11am - Ladies 3:30pm - STAR | 21 7:15am - Yoqa 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - ATP | 22 3:30pm - Jr. | 23 1pm - Lessons 1pm - Women' |
| 24 1pm - Men's | 25 9am - Anthony 3:30pm - Jr. | 26 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - Jr. 7pm - Ballroo | 27 9am - Senior 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - STAR | 28 7:15am - Yoqa 9am - Tennis 3:30pm - ATP | 29 3pm - HALLOW 3:30pm - Jr. | 30 1pm - 7.5 1pm - Lessons 3pm - Women' |
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