The Drop Shot

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President's Message



Jennifer Ellison

You wouldn't know summer is coming to a close based on the fantastic weather we are still enjoying, but school has begun and we have all returned to our more normal schedules. It was a great summer at PTC with the courts and pool getting tons of use. The number of kids we have enjoying the pool has grown exponentially as we have welcomed so many new member families to the club. Because the weather continues to cooperate, the Board has decided to keep heating the pool at least through October so that families and lap swimmers can enjoy the pool without goose bumps and blue lips.

The Board also made some adjustments to the rules at the club based upon observations of member use over the summer. Lona recently sent an e-blast highlighting pool and ball machine rules. With so many kids enjoying the club these days, we agreed to modify the rules regarding hot tub use. Kids come out of the pool shivering and they want nothing more than to warm up in the hot tub. Adults still have priority of use of the hot tub and the onus of monitoring hot tub use is on the parents of children, not on the adult members. The new rules allow kids as young as 5 years old to use the hot tub at any time...BUT....if an adult

Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 18th Men's Singles Tournament - Semi Finals

Sunday, October 19th Men's Singles Tournament - Finals

Friday, November 7th 7th Annual Club Hold'em Poker Tournament

> Tuesday, November 18th Quarterly Membership Meeting

Saturday, December 13th Holiday Party

member comes to use the hot tub the children MUST vacate it until that member is finished. ADULTS HAVE PRIORITY, but kids can use the hot tub. There was tons of confusion when kids could be in and out of the hot tub and we felt it was in the best interest of ALL members to simplify the rules. There are still no toys or food/drink allowed in the hot tub and kids should behave while using it. Parents – please monitor your kids' use of the hot tub. Lowering the age limit from 7 to 5 was an acknowledgment that younger kids also use the hot tub, but that it is not safe for children under the age of 5 to be in water that is over 102 degrees.

In addition to the pool, the ball machine is getting more use than ever. There has been a number of complaints from members who are not able to get any time on the ball machine because it is in such demand. As such, we instituted a 30 minute time limit on the ball machine when members are waiting. In order to manage this system, we put a sign-up board on the gate at court 4. Please put your name

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and the time you started using the machine on that board so that members checking for ball machine availability will know how long they need to wait. If you are waiting for the machine, you should put your name on the board as well so that you don't lose your spot as other members arrive to use it.

As the membership changes, the needs of the club change, and the Board is very open to hearing your ideas for improvements. Please don't hesitate to email or call me, *Lona*, or any other Board Member if you have thoughts about how we can improve the club.

I know we need rain, but for the sake of tennis, let's hope we get a few more weeks of summer-like weather!

Editor's Message



Jeff Tateosian

The PTC is obviously known for its outstanding tennis. It's also known however, for its member participation in other club activities. In July, we held a very successful Bocce Ball Tournament. A couple of days ago, we had a competitive Gin

Rummy Tournament. On November 7th, we will host the 7th Annual Club Hold'em Poker Tournament. Following that, we are going to introduce the first ever PTC Bowling night. We want to encourage our newest members to get more involved in club activities. By far, it is the best way to meet other members, which in turn, will make you feel more a part of the club. We had 19 newer members participate in last month's Calcutta, many of which was their first event. They had a terrific time and we look forward to the rest of our newer members making the plunge.

Manager's Corner



Lona Means

Updated Ball Machine Policy:

- 1. Please sign in name & start time on bulletin board prior to entering court.
- 2. Total time limit is 30 minutes when members are waiting Please let members know that you are waiting.
- 3. Children under the age of 14 must have an adult on court supervising at all times.
- 4. Ball machine use carries no court priority.
- 5. Place remote in control box, pick up balls and store machine in shed when finished.

Please check the lost~n~found closet located next to the boys locker room for lost water bottles, bathing suits, sunglasses, etc... We will be donating anything left to charity by the end of the month.

Club News

Club Anniversaries (5+ years)

Congratulations to the following members:

Bill & Lisa Rogers	25 Years
John & Holly Stone	20 Years
Bill & Joan Parmer	20 Years
Rob Kotmel/Maja Nelson	5 Years
Aaron & Eniamor Saludo	5 Years

Congratulations to Jon Fearn – In August, the Fearn family ventured to Montreal to watch Jon and his team (Santa Barbara/USA) compete in the water polo World Masters Championships in the 55+ age bracket. Jon is one of the original 7 UC Santa Barbara Gauchos on the team. Santa Barbara beat the Dutch/Netherlands in the final to bring home the gold medal. There were a total of 11 teams in the bracket, including the Netherlands, Italy, Germany, Brazil, Russia, Canada, Argentina, two Australian teams, and one other U.S. team. Santa Barbara was also the Gold Medalist in 2012, during the last World Masters in Riccione, Italy, beating the Dutch/Netherlands in the final then as well.

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Work has commenced on the counters and new ice machine project at the Club. We are running new electrical circuits, water and drain lines, and filling in the former pass through to make this project happen. This work will be mostly completed by Oct 7th. This will be followed by some painting and then the installation of new counters and counter tops in various locations around the club. The project should be fully completed in a few weeks.

Tennis Activities News



This year's Calcutta Tennis event was a huge success. It was the largest field of participants in over a decade. For the men, the underdog team (team with the least money bid on it), won the tournament.

Jeff Schubiner Congratulations to Captain Joe Feeney, along with Jay Penn, Ken Post, Marty Funk, Jim Sobel, & Kevin Tierney. Second place went to Reynold Harbin, Joe Bojues, Pete Ferris, Eric Brand, Steve Balchois & David Andrews. The third place team was Bob Wren, Mike Jarrett, Christian Reilly, Jeff Katz, Bob Curry, & Dick Hesselink.

For the women, it was an extremely close contest with the top two teams ending up in a tie. The winner was decided by a tie breaker. Congratulations to Captain Erica Reilly, along with Theresa Piazza, Kim Pepper, Melissa Selcher, Lisa Rogers, & Linda Nagare. Second place was Shari Mayer, Zara Fritts, Lona Means, Maggie Blumberg, Joan Holland, & Natalie Vasiliev. Third place went to Linda Benvenuto, Sheila Druskin, Marissa Hauselt, Denee Berlinger, Donna Balchois, & Barbara Kott.

A big thank you to the Social Committee for putting on a great dinner on Friday night before the tournament. Also, thank you to emcee *Rob Adams* and *Jeff Tateosian* for presenting a hilarious Calcutta team draw, complete with inspirational walk up music for each player. Typically the best night at the club during the year, did not disappoint.

Finally, the Men's Singles Tournament is currently going on with some real exciting play. Be sure to come out and see the Semi Finals & Finals on October 18th & 19th. Results of the first couple rounds are posted in the clubhouse.

Membership News



Congratulations to our new member families and applicants.

New PTC Members

Gina & Charley Haggarty (Charley '89, Katie '89, Jenny '91) Cheryl Enright & Vincent Muzzi (Mia '06, Sara '07) Nancy & Mike Heafey (Matthew '01, William '03)

New PTC Applicants

Michele Flood Shannon Seeberan David Leach Steven Rosston (Myers/Pang) (Oliven/Crisp) (Myers/Selcher) (Goodman/Jarrett)

Social Events News



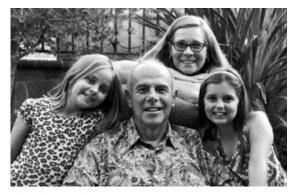
The Calcutta Tennis event held in September brought an atmosphere of both competitive tennis and laughter throughout our club. The warm and beautiful weather inspired our members to show off their best tennis on our

newly surfaced courts. A huge thank you to Joan Holland, Linda Podolsky, Lisa Rogers, Amy Grenier, Erica Reilly, Debbie Oldham, Maggie Blumberg, and Lona for all their help with the Friday night dinner. Also, thank you to bartender Mickey Podolsky for all his help.

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Nancy & Mike Heafey (Matthew '01, William '03)



Cheryl Enright & Vincent Muzzi (Mia 'o6, Sara 'o7)



Gina & Charley Haggarty (Charley '89, Katie '89, Jenny '91)



Jon Fern and the Water Polo World Masters Champions











