



The Drop Shot

Official Newsletter of the Peninsula Tennis Club

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Upcoming Events



Editor's Note

Jeff Tateosian

Welcome to our Holiday Drop Shot edition.

Congratulations to Dennis Mayer, Kelly Kemp & Jerry Ceglia for accepting their nomination and being voted onto the Board of Directors for 2009. They will take office after January's Annual Meeting. The January Drop Shot will feature articles about these three members.

With the formal 75th Anniversary Gala recently concluded, the Board and Social Committee have decided to make the Holiday party a little more casual this year. There will be no charge for the event. Please see details under Social News. We'll see you for a Holiday toast.

With the end of December nearly upon us, I hope you and your family have a healthy and safe Holiday Season.

Holiday Celebration

December 13

Annual Membership Meeting

January 20

Manager's Corner



Lona Means

Ramon will be on vacation December 1st through December 22nd. During this time, we ask for and appreciate your patience.

The clubhouse will be closed on Friday December 12th.

Burlingame High School parents will be hosting the annual teacher's Holiday luncheon. Set up for this event will begin Thursday afternoon.

Club News

Club Anniversaries for December (5+ years)

Congratulations to the following members:

Sam & Thea Leavitt	45 Years
Steve & Donna Balchios	5 Years
Austin Sellery	5 Years

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Congratulations to Betty Cookson who was featured in this month's Inside Tennis magazine for winning four Gold Balls in each of the four 85's Doubles this year. Winning the Grand Slam is a major accomplishment and she will be honored by the USTA at the semi-annual meeting in New York held in conjunction with the US Open. She and her partner Dodo Cheney won the following events:

USTA National Claycourt Championships
March 08

USTA National Indoor Championships
May 08

USTA National Grass Court Championships
July 08

USTA National Hardcourt Championships
September 08

Well done Betty! I know that **Bob**, your three sons, and members at the PTC are very proud of you.

Congratulations to Dyle Anderson & Austin Sellary for winning both of their matches in the 23rd Annual North-South Super Senior Challenge Cup at Copper River. The tournament pits players from Northern & Southern California against each other. The South won this year's tournament, but not without a great showing from the PTC. This was the first year that the tournament featured the 85's division. Nice going guys.

Congratulations to PTC member Louise Tierney, captain of the 7.0 Women's Super Senior 60 team out of the Millbrae Racquet Club, for winning the Section Championship. They are headed to USTA National Championships in Phoenix, AZ in April 2009. **Oksanna Sydorak, Karen With** and former PTC member **Gail Marlin** are also members of the team.

The PTC Court Cam is now available to those of you with iPhones and Blackberrys. Bookmark the iPhone dropdown link under the PTC Court Cam button at the PTC web site.

Tennis Activities News



Becky Showen

The Tennis Committee wrapped up the tennis season by hosting the Mixed Doubles Championship in early November. The turnout for this event was excellent and the players treated everyone to some great tennis. After two days of play (and only a tiny bit of interference from the rain) the following champions emerged: **Jen & Brian Desler** defeated **Shari Mayer & Bob Sinclair** in a very close, very exciting 7-6, 7-5 match to win the 7.5 Main Draw. In the equally exciting 7.5 Consolation Round, **Ken March & Linda Benvenuto** narrowly prevailed over Jane & Mark Percy 7-6, 6-7, 1-0 (10-6).

Natalie Vasiliev & Kelly Kemp emerged as the 7.0 Main Draw victors in another equally close match over their opponents **Pete & Diana Ferris**, 4-6, 7-6, 1-0 (10-8). Finally, the 7.0 Consolation Round saw **Cheryl & Mark Patterson** defeating **Chuck Callaghan & Marissa Hauselt** 6-4, 6-1. Thank you to all of the players and committee members who made this an outstanding tournament.

Membership News

During the month of November, we had two new member/families join the club. Todd & Patricia Foster - Sponsored by **Torry Bryant & Steve Brooks**. Todd is the

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son of long-time members Dick Foster (39 years at the PTC). Todd is a developer and partner in Foster Enterprises. He and Patricia are both 3.5 players. They have two sons, Teddy (13) who goes to Crocker Middle School and Deke (9) who attends North Elementary School.

Adrienne & Jeffrey Schubiner – Sponsored by **Kelly Kemp & Mark Talmadge**.

Adrienne is quite active in tennis, regularly playing on two teams over the past five years. She keeps the books for her husband Jeff, who is an Orthopedic Surgeon. Their son Clayton (16) goes to BHS and is planning on playing for the tennis team. Garrett (13) is in 8th grade and attends Crocker Middle School.

Please help us welcome both of our new families into the club.

We have had two families submit their application during November.

They are:

Bill & Cheri Myers –

Kirsten Gray & Jeff Tateosian (sponsors)

Carter & Kelly Beim –

Jim Sobel & David Hyman (sponsors)

Social Events News



Nancy Batchelor

Come help us celebrate the Holidays at the PTC on Saturday, December 13th.

We will have an Open House cocktail party beginning at 5:30 PM. We are asking everyone to bring their

favorite holiday nibble to share (for 8-10 people). The holiday cheer (beverages) will be on the house. The dress will be casual holiday attire.

Please sign up in the clubroom, email manager@ptctennis.com, or call Lona with your RSVP at 347-1439.

House & Grounds News



Rob Delantoni

Your PTC House and Grounds guy has been busy this past month. Repairs have been made to club room lights, roof leaks, tennis court paint, clocks, and the spa switch. Drains and sewers

have been snaked and reamed out too!

On a discouraging note: black shoe scuff marks have been found on courts 4 and 6. Lona and I ask your help in reporting any-one you see marking up our courts with basketball shoes or the like.

Soon, we will putting a new clock in the ladies room, completing the fence coverings for courts 4-7, staining our new wooden fences, and replacing the full backdrops on the south fences behind courts 1-3 with half backdrops (to aid court drying during the winter months). Best of all, a permanent water fountain is being installed near court 7.

Happy Holidays from Rob, the House and Grounds guy!

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ADULT TENNIS

Women's Doubles Clinics will start at the end of January. Please contact me if you are interested.

Men's Drop-In Clinic on Saturdays will continue through the winter months. If you would like to be put on the email list drop me a line with your info.

SAP OPEN tickets are available for the 2009 Men's Tournament in San Jose. Roddick, Blake, Hewitt, Del Potro, Bryan Bros, Fish, Nishikoiri, Querrey, AND Sampras!!

K-swiss shoes are available here at the Tennis Office and make a great tennis gift for your tennis playing friends and family.

JUNIOR TENNIS

Congratulations to our two 14 and under teams and our 18 and under team for their success at the USTA NorCal Fall Jamboree played at Harbor Bay Club in Alameda on November 22nd. The 14's placed first and second. The 18's placed first in this doubles only event. A BIG THANKS to all parent volunteers.

Congratulations to Burlingame Panthers **Brooke Tsu** and Ali Daskalakis for making Girls CCS.

The SAP Open Ballkids Training will begin in December.

ALL MEMBERS

A quick Dress Code reminder – all member players are required to wear appropriate tennis attire and dress in a manner consistent with playing at a private tennis club. Running shorts, cargo shorts, cut off shorts or any other attire that is simply recreational and not tennis oriented, is not acceptable. Tennis specific shoes with non-marking soles only must be used on our new tennis courts. Any player with shoes that mark the court will be asked to change shoes or stop playing immediately.

It's been a short tennis year, but plenty of new players hitting the courts. Thanks to all parents and member volunteers for their time and effort in helping make 2008 a stellar year at PTC.

HAPPY HOLS!

December 2008 Court Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	December 1 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis	2	3 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Star Tennis 6:30 PM - 9:20 PM SFPTL - Women's Senior Day League Holiday Party	4 7:15 PM - 8:30 PM Yoga	5 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis	6 1 PM - 3 PM PTC Men's 4.0
7 1 PM - 3 PM PTC Senior Women's 3.5 Tennis	8 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis	9	10 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Star Tennis	11 7:15 PM - 8:30 PM Yoga	12 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis 11 PM - 2 AM Burlingame High School Holiday Luncheon	13 1 PM - 3 PM PTC Senior Women 4.0 Tennis 6 PM - 9 PM Holiday Party
14 1 PM - 3 PM PTC Men's 4.0	15 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis	16 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Board Meeting	17 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Star Tennis	18 7:15 PM - 8:30 PM Yoga	19 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis	20 1 PM - 3 PM PTC Men's 3.0
21	22 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis	23	24 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Star Tennis	25	26 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Jr. Academy Tennis	27
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