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# Trails Newsletter

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## Happy Easter & More

An interesting month all around just came to an end. ADULT social and league matches were going strong, the juniors participated in lessons as well as tournaments, and a couple of boxes of tennis rackets and stuff were offered out of a foreclosure. An unusual month that was.

Looking into April and beyond, GVTL play will gradually come to an end – but with a bang. Read more about the season ending championships on top of the back page.

Our junior players will also have something to look forward to: a

team tennis competition in April and May. More on that on the back page, too.

And then there is the shopping opportunity of the year: the tennis stuff left in a foreclosed house. More about that at the bottom of this page.

Happy Easter to y'all!



## New Members

No new adult members this past month, which of course is not good. But on a more optimistic note, 3 of our long term injured or ill or travelling members returned in late March, and that gives us hope for more players and more matches in the near future. The DL (football term: disabled list) is still too long with almost a dozen players out of commission for this illness or that. Best wishes for a speedy recovery

everyone.

In a related effort to find new players, we recently introduced your club to the sales staff at the “Ormond Renaissance”, the age restricted condos on the site of the former Ormond Hospital across the street from the Trails shopping center. The first building is currently rising and ready for occupancy by the fall. We’ll make sure they know about the tennis “across the street”.

## Racket/Bag/String Sale From Foreclosed House

Recently an opportunity presented itself to purchase a sizeable stock of rackets, bags, and strings out of a foreclosed house here in Ormond Beach – at a substantial discount. These items are now offered at very low prices to our members. Among the items on sale are about a dozen brand-new “Head” rackets in their original packaging; additional

“Head” and “Wilson” rackets in used but mint condition; 100+ sets of “Wilson” and “Head” strings; a dozen tennis bags; and more. Please swing by the clubhouse if any of those items might attract you. This is a great opportunity to buy new or almost new merchandise at a greatly discounted price. **WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!**

## GVTL Year-End Championships On May 04/05



A promising new concept comes out of GVTL: the top 2 rated players at each Volusia/Flagler GVTL club at each rating level (2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5) may play in a tournament on May 04/05 for a big trophy and bragging rights.

will come from GVTL in early April, based on all results of the 2018/19 season so far. That list will be at the front desk soon.

Each of the levels will be played at a different location on May 04. Then for all categories, the semi-finals and finals will be played on May 05 at FTC. And it all will end with a party and awards. Cost is said to be \$12.50 per player. More details about all of this within the next week or so.

Who are the best two players at any level at the Trails? A list

## Junior Team Tennis Is Back



Tennis can be a pretty lonely sport; it is 1-on-1, and parents and coaches are usually not near the courts.

13 and 27, and May 4 and 11. April 27 and May 11 will be at the Trails, conveniently, while the other matches will take place nearby. This is a great way to play real tennis matches but as part of a team of friends. Coach Trishna has all the details and will be putting teams together in early April. Cost is \$45 for the entire JTT season and even includes a USTA-sponsored player party with music and food and awards on May 11 at the Trails. Talk to coach Trishna if you want additional information or to sign up.

Recent trends indicate that many kids like TEAM sports more than individual sports. So JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS (JTT) was brought back! It was popular about a decade or so ago, and is now back with easy, friendly rules that encourage growth over competition. Matches are singles and doubles, and will be played at the beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels. Match dates are always on Saturday afternoons: April



Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

was that a good variety of news? Hopefully you found something you liked. Now go out and play tennis while the weather is still so much cooler than expected this time of year. And if you need a match, call Jan at the club so you can be set up for one.

And lastly: no April fool's joke this year. We couldn't find anything to meet your high expectations. So this year will be skipped. ☹️

Happy Easter, and Happy Trails,



Jan Buenner & Team