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Trails Newsletter

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May Activities

Mid-April through late May is one of the busiest parts of the tennis year here at the Trails. Our adults are playing everything from GVTL matches to USTA tournaments and leagues to social matches, while our juniors are having a blast in the newly created Junior Team Tennis and Team Challenge events – in addition to all their group lessons and supervised matches, of course.

On the back page, you'll find plenty of information about the results of

our Trails teams in the past GVTL season, an invitation to join upcoming USTA teams, and hear about our kids tennis programs this summer.

Lastly, it is with great sadness that we have to report the passing of long-time member Phyllis Pain. Phyllis passed away unexpectedly on Good Friday. Read about "The Pain" at the bottom of this page.

New Members

With regards to play activity, April was one of the very good months of the recent past. The DL (football term: disabled list) has again shortened, with one player returning to action after a looonng layoff. In addition, YOUR inviting personalities have welcomed an array of guest players, one of which decided on the spot to join the Trails:

Adults:

♦ Shauna Federico (4.0)

Shauna recently moved to Ormond Beach from West Palm Beach. She likes to play ladies doubles DAILY Thursdays through Sundays and likes really competitive matches. Welcome to the Trails, Shauna.

Phyllis Pain Passed Away

It came as a shock to many of us - one of the Trails' favorite "little ladies", Phyllis Pain, passed away unexpectedly on April 19. She was 83 years old and seemed to be in good health. Phyllis will be remembered for her kindness, her

elegance, and her wicked lefty game. And while she hadn't played tennis in years, she would regularly send cards or e-mails to the club, thanking for staying informed about its activities. And she would always close her writings with "The Pain". Phyllis will be missed.



GVTL Final Standings – One 2. Place Team

One 2. Place team and two 3. Place teams – those were the highlights of the most recent GVTL season. Our 7.5 Mixed doubles team, captained by Don Miller, came in 2. Place, just a hair behind a team from OBTC with an overly strong, mis-rated player. And two 3. Places were achieved by our 3.0/60+ ladies, captained by Jimmie Sica, and the 3.5L ladies, co-captained by Linda Mallory and Debbie Glover. Congratulations to all. Now everyone is waiting for the annual

ratings to come out in late May.

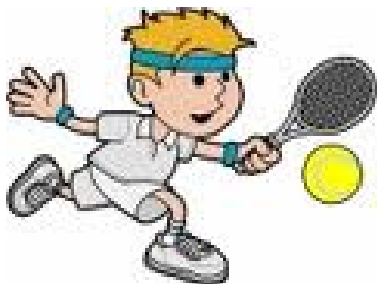
While this past season wasn't quite as successful as hoped for, the season 2019/2020 will offer a completely new league lineup and be much more player-friendly. It will allow us to put some really powerful teams into some of the new leagues. All the major changes are outlined on a sheet that's on view at the tennis clubhouse. Talk to Jan if you have questions or want to know which team might be right for you.



USTA Teams: Ladies 4.0/40+ and Mixed 9.0/18+

Are you interested in playing competitive tennis this summer? If so, we might have something for you. The Trails will be home to a ladies USTA 4.0/40+ team as well as a 9.0 Mixed Doubles team (no age restriction here). If you are at that level and care to join the team – or

maybe want to be part of the team practices – talk to Jan. The teams are forming now, are looking good and strong, yet could still use a player or two for further strengthening. 5 matches, about half of those at home, all within the next couple of weeks, will be on schedule. USTA membership is required.



Kids' Summer Tennis: Group Classes & Camps

Two very important updates for the kids in our afternoon programs and their parents:

1. **AFTERNOON CLASSES:** the current group classes will run in their usual time slots until Friday, May 31. Depending on YOUR interest afterwards, some classes might continue through the summer. Let coach Trishna know if that might be of interest to you.

2. **SUMMER CAMPS** will start June 10 and run through August 02. A flyer with information about the camps is at the front desk of the clubhouse. Some of the offered weeks are by invitation only. Coach Trishna has the details. The other camps run Mo - Fri 10 am - 4 pm and include daily catered lunches and pool visits. Cost of those is \$220/week, or \$55/day, or \$35/half day. Early signups and multiple camps get discounts. Talk to Jan.



Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

While the weather is still soooo pleasant, play as much sports as you can. We look forward to seeing you on our courts. Happy Cinco de Mayo, Happy Memorial Day (when the Trails will be open until 1 pm), and Happy Trails to y'all.

Jan Buenner & Team