



Trails Newsletter

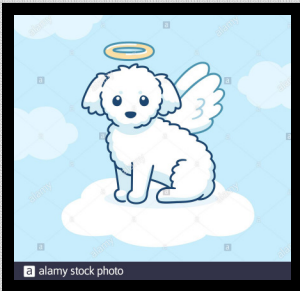
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An Event Every Month This Autumn

August wasn't nearly as celebrity-studded as July had been here at the Trails. But it certainly was as rain-studded as July. Many afternoons got rained out, and even some mornings suffered. Luckily, our players now have the option to play their matches at the Ormond Beachside Tennis Center (OBTC) as well where the weather might be different. Just on the last Saturday of August, 5 groups of players relocated from the flooded Trails to the dry OBTC – and had a blast. Keep that option in mind for the future. It is included in your dues.

one event per month. First up is the Junior Futures tournament series starting on September 11. Then on October 23 OBTC will host the highly popular Senior Games tennis competition for players over the age of 50. In 2019, the last time the event was held, 88 players from all over Florida participated. And lastly, on November 20 the Trails will host its first ever UTR tournament. UTR stands for Universal Tennis Rating and allows for tournaments/matches between players of the same rating level no matter if female, male, adult, junior, etc. John Hudson will run the tourney at the Trails. Talk to Jan if you want to know more about any of those events.

With the arrival of autumn will also arrive a wave of activity here at the Trails and OBTC at a clip of approx.



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New Members

Tennis, the natural social distancing sport, continues to thrive, both nationally as well as locally. Last month, the following individuals joined the Trails:

- ◆ Simone Weiss (GVTL 4.0)
- ◆ Aimee (beg.), Glenn (GVTL 3.5), Ryan, and Brandon Wiener

Simone, a fellow German, has established herself as a sought-after player already over the past years. Now, with more time on her hands for tennis, she has joined the Trails Racquet Club. And the Wiener family lives in the Trails and likes the convenience of courts in their neighborhood. Welcome to the Trails, everyone!

Ormond Beach Senior Games Sat, October 23 @ OBTC

If you are over the age of 50 and enjoy good fun and friendly competition from all over the state - the Ormond Beach Senior Games are perfect for you! It's a bunch of different sports, divided by age groups, INCLUDING TENNIS AT OBTC. Which takes place

Saturday, October 23, 2021.

Men's/women's singles starts at 8 am, doubles at 10 am, mixed doubles

around 1 pm. Cost for Trails/OBTC members is \$15 for one event, and \$5 for each additional one. Non-Trails/OBTC players pay an additional \$7 court fee per event. The competition offers advancement to the Florida State Senior Games Championships in December. Talk to Jan if you want more information. Signup closes on Oct. 01, but late entries are often accepted – at the expense of not getting a “Senior Games” t-shirt.

Junior Futures Series Starts Sat, Sept. 11 @ Trails



For junior tennis players with no or little tournament experience exists a great series of tournaments at local tennis clubs. The atmosphere is friendly, the pressure is low, parents are invited courtside, and the events are inexpensive: for \$20, players get an afternoon full of tennis matches against players of similar age and ability, and a tournament t-shirt. The complete calendar:

Sept. 11 @ Trails Racquet Club
 Sept. 18 @ Ormond Beachside TC
 Sept. 25 @ Florida Tennis Center

Oct. 02 @ Flagler Palm Coast HS
 Oct. 09 @ New Smyrna Beach TC
 Oct. 16 @ Plantation Bay CC

Around 40-50 kids from all over Volusia County are expected to participate in each event in various age and ability groups (red, orange, green, and yellow ball divisions) for trophies and ranking points. This is a great way for juniors to play their first real tournament. Talk to coaches Trishna or Jan if you want more information.

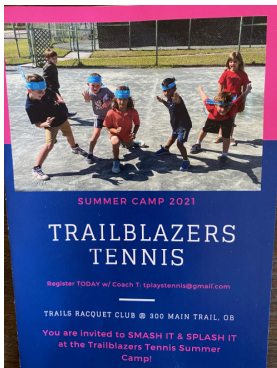
Junior Group Lessons

Coach Trishna's fall program for the "Trailblazers", the junior afternoon tennis here at the Trails Racquet Club, has started. These are the class times:

- red ball kids play Mo and/or Wed 3.30-4.30 pm
- orange ball kids play Mo and/or Wed 3.30-4.30 pm or 4.30-5.30 pm

- green ball kids play Mo and/or Wed 4.30-5.30 pm
- yellow ball kids play Mo and Wed 5.30-7 pm.

Cost is \$27/hour or \$35/1.5 hours per class for drop-ins and \$175/225 for monthly sessions. For more information, contact coach Trishna Patel at 917-362-2536.



Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

Almost half way through hurricane season, let's hope it will continue to stay calm in our area. Happy Trails, and Happy Labor Day weekend everyone!

Jan Buenner & Team

