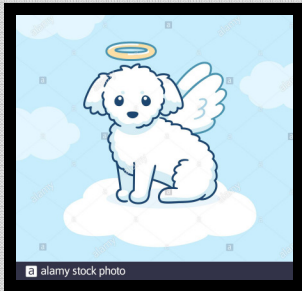




Trails Newsletter

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May Tennis News



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When was the last time it rained here??? Seems like forever. While that is great for tennis players, it handicaps the club in a number of minor ways: court maintenance is reduced because we cannot roll the courts enough. Bumpy ball bounces are a consequence. And the strange tower in the middle of the clubhouse, assembled to detect leaks in the roof, will have to remain in place until some heavy rain provides proof whether the roof has been repaired sufficiently or not. Apologies for the inconvenience this may cause.

Speaking of court renovation: it is overdue and will finally start in early May. Strangely, it became the victim of supply chain disruptions, too. In spite of ordering clay in March of this year, and it being a domestic product, we still haven't received it yet. The preferred 50 lb bags are backordered until early June. Dang.

New Members

Another month with an upward trend in memberships at OBTC and the Trails. Here is who joined the Trails in April:

◆ Amber Bill
Amber is young and fit and has

played on USTA teams in the past. She likes competitive as well as social matches. Feel free to contact the club if you want to involve Amber in your matches. Welcome to the Trails, Amber.

At the bottom of this page you will read about the women's \$25k pro tourney in Daytona. It takes place in the first week of May (a new slot in the calendar), and the entry list shows players from WTA ranking #300 and below. Should be fun to watch.

Lastly – apologies for the delay in this newsletter. We wanted to include a photo of the Seabreeze High School tennis party on May 01, and it came out great. See page 2 for a picture and a message from coach Trishna. More than 70 people attended this event.

So, while the weather continues to be so pleasant, use the opportunity to play as much tennis as you can. Our staff at the Trails and the Ormond Beachside Tennis Center (OBTC) is always happy to set up matches for you.

Women's Pro Tournament In Daytona – THIS WEEK!

If WTA #292 (Shabatava). #456 (Herrmann).#471 (Abanda). #849 (Davis). #946 (Svsoeva). and #967 (Gram) all hit tennis balls at the Trails. you know something special is going on. The women's \$25,000 pro tournament is at Florida Tennis Center in Davtona in the first week of May. and many of the ladies have practiced at the Trails. Admission at

FTC is free through the quarterfinals on Friday. Great tennis - FREE? You should make time available to watch that. Matches start at 10 am on most days. Talk to Jan if you want to know more about it. or go to: <https://www.itftennis.com/en/tournament/w25-davtona-beach-fl/usa/2022/w-itf-usa-14a-2022/fact-sheet/>.

Court Resurfacing



Supply constraints hit tennis players not only when it comes to balls or rackets or strings. Latest victim is clay. of all things. Last time we ordered it there was a shortage of drivers. This time there is a shortage of 50 pound bags. In spite of ordering in March, it won't be until early June that the delivery will be made. 80 lbs are available, but those

are too heavy to carry for our maintenance crew if you have to do it 30-40 times over per day. So we are eagerly awaiting the shipment in early June. In the meantime, our staff will prepare the courts for it already. Expect to see a lot of activity from early May on. Your cooperation and patience are appreciated while this important maintenance is performed.

Seabreeze High School Post Season Bash 2022



From Seabreeze High School's coach Trishna Patel:
 "My deepest gratitude goes out to the Trails Racquet Club & OBTC members, and the local tennis community at large, for showing their support via generous donations and superb net play. You helped Seabreeze Sandcrabs tennis surpass our fundraising goal! Next time you see one of these Sandcrabs, invite them into your social doubles games!

Special thanks to:

1. The Venables family for catering the event from Jimmy Hulas.
2. Local area businesses whose banners you will soon see fly at the Trails.
3. The Buaner family for trusting me with the Trails Racquet Club for the event.

We plan on another Member/Sandcrabs event in November pre-season starring TENNIS this time. Thank you, and see you on the courts."



Career In Tennis – Max Koller

A great article about former Trails junior Max Koller was recently on USTA's website. Max is assistant coach at Division I Oklahoma University, one of the top college tennis teams in the country. Before that, Max worked at Bethune Cookman and Stetson University as assistant coach as well. The full

article is here: <https://www.usta.com/en/home/stay-current/national/from-tennis-on-campus-captain-to-ncaa-division-i-coach--maxwell-.html>

Way to go, Max. Max got his start as a player as well as valued employee at the Trails.:-)

Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

The weather continues to surprise on the dry and mild side. Fantastic for tennis players! Get your matches in before it gets hotter. The staff at the Trails Racquet Club and OBTC is always interested in setting up matches for you. Looking forward to seeing you on the courts often. Happy Trails,

Jan Buaner & Team

