



Trails Newsletter

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From Hurricane To Halloween

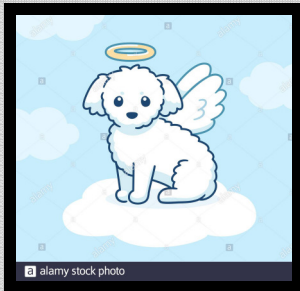
Wowza – that was one heck of an end to the month. Apologies for the late delivery of your Trails tennis newsletter. Tropical storm Ian dumped a lot of rain on our area. Fortunately, the wind was weaker than expected, and your Trails Club and its clubhouse fared better than feared. Some of the courts took a pretty good hit, of course, and there is a good chance your next matches will be on a court that you barely knew existed... (like courts 4 and 6) Courts 4,6,7, and 8 suffered the least damage and were the easiest to fix. Courts 2 and 5 will be next. Courts 1 and 3 will get resurfaced as soon as a new shipment of clay arrives. Still, a sufficient number of the courts will be available for you at all times. Overall, we have been VERY lucky!

And those courts are needed, as the local tennis league has started, in addition to the usual social matches.

And let's not forget the Senior Games on Saturday, October 22. Based on the participation from Trails players, this might become the most successful Senior Games the Trails has ever hosted. Of course we don't know yet the number of players from afar. And even for players signing up late, there MIGHT be last minute opportunities on the day of the event. Talk to Jan if you might be interested.

Somewhat related to the hurricane is also the partial reroofing for the clubhouse. That hasn't happened yet. Which might have to do with the plentiful rain in September and the delay in projects scheduled before us. We hope to have the new roof soon. As Ian has showed us, the roof is not completely tight. Well, we knew that already...

Happy Fall, y'all. And Happy Halloween.



Cookie in Heaven

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New Members

"A second month of no new members here at the Trails. But inquiries and visits from players near and far have increased. That could be a promising sign for more newbies in the fall. Fingers

crossed..." Have you seen this before? Ok. it was copied from last month. Still no new members. But more adult and junior lessons than ever. That's a very good sign.

Ian

Not to be confused with a local tennis club owner of similar name, tropical storm Ian dumped a ton of rain on our area – about 15 inches, according to our unofficial gauge (yard stick in garbage can – see photo at left). But other than lots and lots of lost clay, your Trails Club was very lucky in this storm. Even

the piles of our yard debris are small compared to previous hurricanes. Our strategy of NOT replacing fallen trees or bushes with new ones is paying off! :-)

As one of the players said: after the debris of the tropical storm has been cleaned up, our city will look better than ever before...



Ormond Beach Senior Games Sat., Oct. 22 @ Trails



Final call for the Ormond Beach Senior Games. Sign up closed on October 01. But you can still play on October 22 if you tell Jan so NOW! Just no t-shirt and no welcome package and no sponsor goodies.

Reminder: If you are over the age of 50, and enjoy good fun and friendly competition from all over the state of Florida and beyond – then the Ormond Beach Senior Games are perfect for you! It's a bunch of different sports, INCLUDING

TENNIS, all organized by age groups. The tennis event takes place

Sat., Oct. 22, 2022. @ Trails.

Men's/women's singles starts at 8 am, men's/women's doubles at 10 am, and 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 extra \$7 court fee per event. Players are always needed as partners for out-of-town visitors

Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

'nuff said. This newsletter is four days late, and we still got a lot of work to do on the courts and in the landscape. Will end the letter now and get back to that yard work. Our thoughts are with everybody who suffered losses in this storm. Let us know how we can help. The Trails crew is strong and eager to be helpful. Happy Halloween, and Happy Trails,

Jan Buenner & Team

