



### Cookie in Heaven

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# Trails Newsletter

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## Happy Holidays To Our Members & Friends

In only a couple of weeks this year will come to an end. All in all, it was a pretty good year. More on that next month. For now, let's enjoy the fantastic tennis weather currently in our area. Balmy mid 70s in Florida, while it is below freezing in many parts of our country right now. No wonder 1,000 people move to this state every day!

Mid November your tennis club received a much needed clay delivery. The shipment took a while because the company we buy from is located in Sun City between Tampa and Fort Myers and had hurricane challenges from "Ian" of their own. But all is good now. Half of the clay has been put on our courts already, the other half will get spread in the first week of December. For a couple of days after that, expect some uneven bounces on the courts. By mid December everything should have smoothed out nicely.

Then, to top it all off, the clubhouse received a new roof. Partially anyway, as only the suspect flat part of the roof was replaced. We are hoping for many decades of leak-free living now. ☺

Looking at the activities in the month of December, the three events to watch out for:

1. Florida's top 15-18 year old juniors will practice at the Trails Dec. 03-05 for a tournament at FTC and OBTC.
2. Multiple holiday and birthday parties for female Trails players have been scheduled for mid December.
3. The Trails will be closed on Sundays, Dec. 25 and 01/01. Please keep those dates in mind when planning your tennis matches. On all other days the club will be open as usual

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND A GREAT NEW YEAR TO Y'ALL!**

## New Members

Once again no real newbies. but some returning snowbirds. Also. two neighboring clubs increased their dues to levels very close to the Trails. In fact. Florida Tennis Center's new prices are so close to ours. it is actually quite funny. For example,

their new annual seniors rate is now \$744: Trails is \$739. Their annual family is now \$1,122: Trails is \$1,123. Almost 20 years after opening. FTC finally charges market rates. Congrats to their new dynamic manager Steve Cook.

## Kurtland Davies †

One of the Trails' nicest members passed away on Thanksgiving. Kurtland Davies, 83, succumbed to multiple cancers after a short, brave fight. Kurtland was 83 years old (or young, as he preferred to see it).

Kurtland played his last tennis match on April 04. While that was a men's doubles, he was also always willing to help out in mixed or ladies

doubles. In all, Kurtland was one of the most liked players at the Trails. He will be sorely missed. Kurtland will be remembered for his kindness, intelligence, fine humor – and his optic yellow shirts advertising solar panels. ☺ A celebration of Kurtland's life will be held at a date TBA after the holidays at Unitarian Universalist Church in Ormond Beach.



## New Roof

More than a couple of years past its useful life, the roof of the tennis clubhouse has finally been replaced. Part of it, anyway. The more critical flat part was done in late November. The rest will be at some point in the

future. Hopefully this will end the leaks that have occurred over the last months. Roberson Roofing here in Ormond Beach was the firm doing the job. It took them under 4 hours, remarkably.



Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

Wishing all our members and friends a peaceful holiday season. Stay healthy and safe. Looking forward to seeing y'all again in the New Year!! Please note your Trails Racquet Club as well as the Ormond Beachside Tennis Center will be closed on Dec. 25 and January 01. Happy Trails, Happy Holidays, and a Happy New Year to y'all,

Jan Buermer & Team

