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Trails Newsletter

Hurricane Dorian – That Was Close

Say anything you want about Florida weather – it surely never fails to surprise. Which in case of hurricane Dorian was a GREAT thing. Last minute that nasty storm took a turn to the north, and out of the cone we were. Yay!

And wouldn't you know it - on the day after the storm had passed our



area, the sunrise over the Trails Racquet Club was just spectacular. Look at the picture on the left.

A couple of weeks of calm weather would actually be perfect for the upcoming events here at your Trails Racquet Club:

Sat/Su., Oct. 12/13: USTA Junior Tourney

Su., Oct. 27: Senior Games

Sat/Su., Nov. 9/10: USTA Adult Tourney

Sat., Nov. 16: Food Brings Hope Charity Round Robin & Luncheon

Tennis for young and old and everyone inbetween. Competitive or charitable or social. More details about each event are on the back page. Hopefully you'll find something for you, too.

New Members

This is the last time you'll read about the "Summer Special", promised. Suffice to say, it was a great success, as it introduced a number of really nice individuals to your club. 4 women have joined the Trails: Cathy Fitzsimmons, Cherie Lopez, Suzanne Stewart, and Kathy Welch. None of them play leagues (for now), and thus they are interested in social matches with our members. Give them a call if you need a player.

On the men's side... let's just say their decision making is much slower than the womens'... The guys have a couple more days to make up their minds.

2 New Staff: Mike Miller & Juan Navarro

No, the pup on the photo is NOT a new staffer. But it stands in place of one. Anything you ever wanted to know about FRISBEE DOGS – Mike Miller can answer that question. For example, that they aren't called "Frisbee Dogs" but rather "Disc Dogs". In addition to knowing all that, Mike also knows how to maintain your tennis courts here at your Trails Racquet Club. Mike will do court maintenance at lunch time.

And for the evening maintenance an assistant coach out of coach Trishna's junior program offers help: Juan Navarro. Juan is from Columbia and a current player on Bethune Cookman University's men's tennis team. Please welcome both gentlemen to the Trails next time you see them.



FLORIDA

Su, Oct. 27: Ormond Beach Senior Games @ Trails

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 THE TRAILS. Which takes place

Sunday, October 27, 2019.

Men's/women's <u>singles</u> starts at 8 am, <u>doubles</u> at 9 am, <u>mixed doubles</u> around noon. Cost for Trails members is \$12 for one event, and \$5 for each additional one. Non-Trails 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. 05, but late entries are often accepted – at the expense of not getting a "Senior Games" t-shirt. And if you need a partner – no problem, let us know. Plenty of other players are available.

Sat/Su, Nov. 9+10: Adult NTRP Tournament

Big state ranking points will be awarded at the "Ormond Beach NTRP Fall Classic" tennis tournament in mid November. This is a tournament based on level of play, not age group. Women's singles and doubles (NTRP 2.5-4.5), men's singles and doubles (NTRP 3.0-5.0), and Mixed Doubles (combined rating of 7.5/8.5) are all on offer. Cost is \$49 for singles, \$23 for first doubles, and \$18 for second doubles. Sign up is online only, and we'd be happy to help. Talk to Gary or Jan.

Sat, Nov. 16: "Food Brings Hope" Charity RR/Lunch/Raffle

One of the charities dearest to our heart and very much needed in our community is "Food Brings Hope". Founded in 2007 by local businesswoman Forough Hosseini, it is dedicated to providing solutions for families with children in Volusia who experience hunger due to homelessness, poverty, or with unfamiliarity community resources. More than 2,000 children in the Volusia County school system suffer from hunger and/or homelessness.

To support the mission of "Food Brings Hope", your Trails Racquet Club will host its seventh annual tennis doubles round robin for women and men on

Sat, November 16th, from 10 – 1 pm.

There will be plenty of tennis, food, drinks, a raffle for fantastic gift baskets (see picture on left), and more. 100% of the gross proceeds from this event will go to "Food Brings Hope". Cost to participate is a donation of \$20 (or more). Raffle tickets are \$2/ticket or \$5/3 tickets. Call Jan at the Trails if you have questions or want to participate. No partner needed.

Oh and please note - there will be NO COURTS available for social matches on that day, as a junior tournament will take place in the moment the FBH charity event is over.



RAFFLE

Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

A couple of dry weeks would be just about perfect for all of the above plans. Let's enjoy our tennis matches now that the weather has cooled a bit. Looking forward to seeing you on the courts often. Happy Trails,

Jan Buenner & Team