



Trails Newsletter

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Sale Of The Club – Newest Developments

You might not be aware of it, but today is a VERY important day for the Trails Racquet Club. Yesterday was the deadline for buyers to submit bids for the club. And today and over the next several days the offers will be reviewed and a winner will be contacted. 3 groups have expressed strong interest beforehand, with remarkably different visions for the club. Read about their ideas on the back page.

leagues on Oct. 07. Signup for those leagues closed at the end of August. Trails will have 7 players in those leagues, including 2 new members. Remarkable. And everybody is practicing feverishly. Go Trails!

Lastly, and maybe best of all: no hurricanes yet. And nothing in the forecast either. Yay!! September 10 is considered half time for hurricane season. Which means whatever storms we might still get, if any, would take place in the second half of the season where the end is in sight. Lovin' that.

Happy, Happy Labor Day weekend y'all.

In addition to the above excitement, the next events on the tennis horizon are junior tournaments on Sept. 14 Oct. 05, and Nov. 02, Ormond Beach Senior Games on Oct. 19, and the start of GVTL's singles flex

New Members

No new members in August. But in September a couple of players who sat out the summer or traveled for heat reasons will return. In addition, some new GVTL league players will

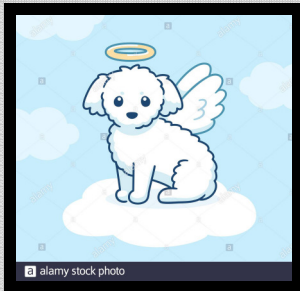
also join. Be prepared for our courts to be busier than have recently been. Which will also allow YOU, our all-season regulars, to integrate old or new players into your matches.

2 Changes To Your Trails Invoices

Preparing for the transfer of the club into new hands, a couple of changes will be made to the invoices of SOME of our members next month. Here is what's coming, starting October 01.

1. The monthly charge to your credit card will move to the 5th of every month (from the 10th).
2. Paper based payments (= checks, IOUs, sticky notes ☺, etc.) will not be accepted as payments any more.

Payment needs to be made by credit/debit card, Venmo, Apple Pay, or cash. Your understanding is appreciated. The last remaining check payers, please let Jan know which option works best for you. A monthly automated charge to their credit card or bank account is the preferred method for most members already, and will probably be implemented by the new owner(s) of the club anyway.



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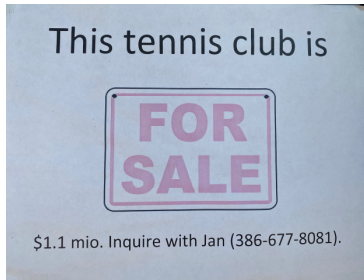
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Sale Of The Club - Update



3 groups have recently expressed interest in purchasing the Trails Racquet Club, and they each have remarkably different visions for the club.

* A multigenerational family of tennis pros out of Florida wants to significantly upgrade the club and make it the nicest tennis club in Volusia County.

* 2 incredibly charming non-Americans with experience on the pro tour want to keep the club the way it is and add powerful new programs to the club's offers.

* The owners of a highly successful large tennis academy in the Northeast want to establish a branch of their program in Florida.

3 very different concepts, all with a

very different focus. Fantastic!

Who will win? Great question. It is a combination of money offered, the buyer's vision for the club, time line, and some other factors. The club members' interest is foremost on our minds. After Labor Day Jan will talk with the potential new owner(s) in great detail. You will hear and read about the outcome after that. Exciting times ahead for Trails members!

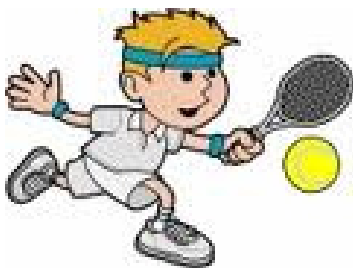
And in the event that no satisfactory agreement can be reached by year end, the club will get sold to anybody who makes a reasonable financial offer, no matter their plans for the property.



Visit By County Chair Jeff Brower

In mid August the Sierra Club of Volusia-Flagler invited County Commission chairman Jeff Brower for a social. Chair Brower, a slow-growth proponent, talked about the major issues affecting county residents and how residents can best

make their voices heard. About 50 people attended this highly informative meeting. A few days later, chair Brower garnered the most votes in the primary elections and qualified for the runoff election on November 05.



Junior Group Lessons

The new school year has started, and that also means a new set of junior group lessons has started. The following groups are offered:

7-9 year old (orange ball): Mo and/or Thu 4.30-5.15 pm

10-12 year old (green ball): Wed

4.30-5.30 pm

12-16 year old (yellow ball): Mo and/or Wed 5.30-7 pm

For more information, prices, etc., talk to Jan. The program started on August 26. First tryout lesson for new kids is free, as always.



Dear members of the Trails Racquet Club,

The hottest part of the year is behind us, and tennis will soon become even more enjoyable than it already is. Looking forward to seeing y'all on the courts often. Happy Trails, and Happy Labor Day,

Jan Buenner & Team

