Pleasant Hill Tennis Club

September - October 2016

Save The Dates

Saturday, Sept. 3rd……..Mixer

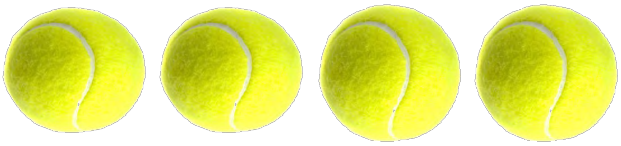
Monday, Sept. 5th……Labor Day Tourney

Tuesday, Sept. 6th…….Board Meeting

Sunday, Sept. 11th……..……..Mixer

Saturday, Sept. 17th…..……..…Mixer

Sunday, Sept. 25th……..……Mixer



Saturday, Oct. 1st……...Mixer

Tuesday, Oct. 4th……..Board Meeting

Sunday, Oct. 9th……..……...Mixer

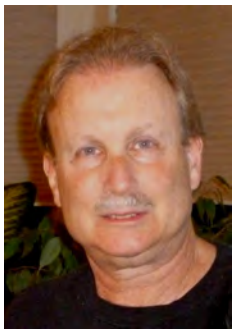
Saturday, Oct. 15th……..….Mixer

Sunday, Oct. 23rd……..……...Mixer

Saturday, Oct. 29th…..Halloween Tourney

Sunday, Oct. 30th……...Mixer

President's Message



The Pleasant Hill Tennis Club had extremely busy months of July and August with a variety of successful and fun activities and events for its members.

On July 2nd, the Club held its annual Fourth of July Tournament coordinated by Donna Carnahan and Tommy Butler (see page 4).

On July 4th, a large number of PHTC members participated in the annual Pleasant Hill Parade. Our Club's representation was coordinated by Chris Rascle (see page 6).

On August 7th the Club had its 4th Annual Picnic at Rogers-Smith Park (see page 6).

The successful After-School Tennis Program will expand to include additional middle schools in the Fall (see page 5).

Repairs to the PHMS tennis courts were completed the week of July 18th. They look new and perfect again!

Fun Mixer activities continued to be well-attended on alternate Saturday and Sunday mornings. A number of participants facilitated the sessions under the coordination of Tommy Butler.

We wish to thank Judy Behr for all of her service as PHTC Board Secretary. She is resigning. Welcome to the new Secretary, Sheila Hughes.

We have a large number of PHTC USTA teams competing in the current season and those that are scheduled for the upcoming season (see page 5).

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Did You Know?

Question: What is the official rule for who starts to serve the next set after playing a tiebreaker?

Answer: If you started serving first in the last set, then your opponent begins the next set. Another way of stating this is that if your opponent served the last game before the tiebreaker, then he will also start serving in the next set.

Question: In our third set USTA league doubles match we had to play a "Coleman" tie-breaker. According to the Coleman rules, as I understand them, we are supposed to switch sides after the first point, and then after every 4 points. In other words, we switch when the sum of the score/points is 1, 5, 9, 13?

Answer: The Coman Tiebreak procedure is the same as a regular Match Tiebreak except that ends are changed after the first point, then after every four points and at the conclusion of the Tiebreak.

Source: 2016 USTA Handbook of Rules and Regulations

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Pleasant Hill Tennis Club

Pleasant Hill Tennis Club is an organization sponsored by the Pleasant Hill Recreation and Park District (PHR&PD). It was formed in the early 1970's by a small group of tennis enthusiasts and currently boasts about **242** individual and family memberships and steadily increasing. The Club is incorporated, non-profit and fully member-supported. Club members volunteer their time to serve on the Board, maintain the courts, lead tournaments and Fun Mixers and captain USTA league teams. For members, the club offers weekly fun mixers, monthly tournaments, this bi-monthly newsletter, a website and competitive USTA League teams. Dues are $40 per year for individual memberships and $60 for family memberships. Tournament Fees are generally $10 per player if pre-paid ($12 if not).

The six courts we currently use are located on the campus of Pleasant Hill Middle School, at 1 Santa Barbara Road (off Oak Park Blvd). Over the years, the Club has provided maintenance, nets and windscreens, and we share the costs of resurfacing with the school district and PHR&PD. We currently hold all of our USTA league matches at Pleasant Hill Middle School, 1 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, California 94523 and at College Park High School, 201 Viking Dr, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

USTA League

Members only. Men's, Women's, mixed, seniors and super-senior leagues form and play throughout the year. Watch for announcements in this newsletter and contact the captain for information and procedures. To volunteer to captain a team, contact the League Coordinator, Chris Rascle at chrisrascle@yahoo.com

Tournaments

Members only. To enter submit the applications in the newsletter with the fee (usually $10) to the tournament director, Donna Carnahan (carnahan70@gmail.com) by the deadline. The fee includes tennis balls, prizes, refreshments & lunch.

Mixers

Fun Mixers are held on Saturdays or Sundays each week except for weekends when there is a tournament scheduled. Starting time is 9:00 a.m. during the winter and 8:30 a.m. during the summer. No RSVP or partner is required. You just bring your racquet, a smile and $1 for balls. Guests are VERY welcome for their first time. Family members not living with a current member pay a $5.00 fee if they wish to play at the Fun Mixers. This weekly event is located at the Pleasant Hill Middle School tennis courts, 1 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, California 94523. **We always need volunteers to lead the Fun Mixers.** It is easy and everything is provided for the players. To schedule your turn, e-mail the Fun Mixer Coordinator, Tommy Butler at: bstommy@comcast.net

Fourth of July Tournament

Thanks to Donna Carnahan and Tommy Butler for an outstanding 4th of July Tournament. Creative scoring was used (yes, you received points for wearing you-know-what). There was fun tennis for all and a distinctive home-made lunch provided by Donna and Tom. We hope all of the participants enjoyed themselves.

Welcome to the Pleasant Hill Tennis Club! We are happy to inform you that your application for membership has been accepted. The Pleasant Hill Tennis Club has been an important part of the Pleasant Hill Community since the 1970's, providing many social and charitable opportunities for its members. **Below are some of our new 2016 PHTC members.**

Rolly Garcia
Linda Imrie
Donna Murphy
Harish Natarajan
Daljeet Singh
Robert Vorkapich
Majid Qureshi
Jay Pomares
Deb Forney
Jess Omamogho
Eric Pinkela
Mario Rizzo
Dale Robbins
Steven Osborne
Arlene Acosta
Frank Klosky

Membership Dues

Please all remember to get your membership dues paid for 2016! In order to participate in weekend Mixers, Tournaments and League tennis, you must be a full member in good standing for $40 a year per individual or $60 a year for family. You have several options to pay your membership dues. Go to **phtennisclub.com** and either pay online or use the downloadable version and submit your check with application to Kris Hunter. Remember, you MUST submit the application form as well as the payment for your membership to be in effect.

USTA NORCAL Update

Adult 55 and Over League season is from June 20th to September 30th
Mixed 18 and Over League season is from June 20th to October 9th

Here are the teams registered for the current season:

Adult 55 and Over Men's 6.0, captain Kelly Williams
Adult 55 and Over Men's 7.0, captain David Wax
Adult 55 and Over Women's 7.0, captain Kelly Williams
Mixed 18 and Over 6.0A, captain David Wax
Mixed 18 and Over 6.0B, captain Al Keyes
Mixed 18 and Over 7.0, captain David Wax
Mixed 18 and Over 9.0, captain Joey Martinez

Men's and Women's Combo League season is from September 12th to December 11th
Mixed 55 and Over League season is from September 12th to November 20th

Here are the teams registered for the upcoming season:

Combo Men's 6.5, captain David Wax
Combo Men's 7.5, captain Damon Turner
Combo Men's 9.5, captain Joey Martinez
Combo Women's 5.5, captain Deb Culver
Combo Women's 6.5, captain Kelly Williams
Combo Women's 7.5, Chris Rascle
Mixed 55 and Over 7.0, captain David Wax

After-School Tennis Program

Monica Ruiz, our Club "Pro,"' is getting the PHTC and Recreation and Park District sponsored After School Tennis Program prepared to start in September. In addition to Pleasant Hill Middle School, this year it will expand to include students from Sequoia and Valley View Middle Schools, as well.

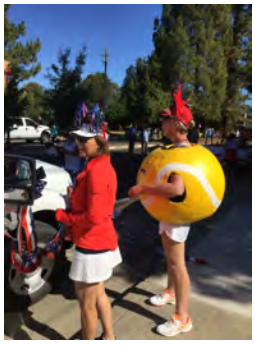
It will follow a similar format from the last school year with the Beginners Class scheduled on Mondays 3:00-4:00 and the Advanced Beginners/Intermediate classes scheduled on Wednesdays 3:00-4:30 with play at the PHMS courts. The program is scheduled for 9 weeks beginning the week of September 19th. Detailed information regarding the After School Tennis Program has been published in the Pleasant Hill Recreation and Parks District SPOTLIGHT Fall/Winter 2016 edition, as well as being posted on the PHTC website at phtennis-club.com.

We greatly appreciate the efforts of our wonderful volunteers including Kelly Williams, Patrick Farrell, Larry McEwen, Arlene Acosta and Jim Utz who visited the three middle schools to introduce and explain the program to the students and their parents at the schools' Back-To-School registration days on 8-15 and 8-16. They distributed many information flyers and there was a lot of interest again in the program. Many of the kids that participated in the program last year are planning to return.

The PHTC is extremely pleased about Monica's program and proud to be a sponsor. Monica and PHTC are looking forward to another great year of After School Tennis at PHMS. For more information, contact her at monica.ruiz@yahoo.com

Annual 4th of July Parade

A special thanks to Chris Rascle for coordinating the PHTC's participation in our 3rd annual 4th of July parade! It was a very successful adventure and we are so proud to represent our tennis club. A great big thank you to all those who participated in making the day special: Kris H, Kelly, Donna, Diana, Kristine, Sarah, Lynn, Pip and Patrick, Sabine, Chris R, McKenzie and Jesse. We won the "Best Them Float" trophy.



Annual PHTC Picnic

What a Beautiful Day! Great weather for a picnic. We had about 70 of our finest members attend our annual Picnic. We had some very competitive bocce ball games, which many of our members enjoyed. Our BBQ master was Tommy Butler. Much appreciation to Donna Carnahan for organizing the event and to the assistance of Kelly Williams, Kris Hunter, Chris Rascle, Rita and Jim Utz and David and Remy Wax. There are so many others that jumped in to help.

Tournament

Format will be Team Tennis

Date: Monday, September 5th 8:45- 12ish

$10 in advance- $12 on the day of

Player 1: _____ Rating:_____

Phone#:_____

Player 2:_____ Rating_____

Number of players:_____

Lunch only $6:_____

Mail to Donna Carnahan 1212 Stafford Ave., Concord CA 94521

Please plan on staying for the entire Tournament

Pleasant Hill Tennis Club

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2016 Membership Application or Renewal

MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JANUARY 1st TO DECEMBER 31st

Check One: New Member ( ) Renewal ( )
Check One: Individual ( ) Family ( ) **All members 18 and over must sign below**

Individual (18 or older) $40.00 or Family $60.00 (Check payable to PHTC)

Name 1: _____ E-Mail : _____
USTA Member: Yes/No USTA Rating _____

Name 2: _____ E-Mail : _____
USTA Member: Yes/No USTA Rating _____

Name 3: _____ E-Mail : _____
USTA Member: Yes/No USTA Rating _____

Address: _____
City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone: (_____) - _____

Check All Items That Apply:

( ) DO NOT include me in the annual Membership Directory
( ) Send me club e-mails about upcoming events and club news.
( ) Interested In Leading Fun Mixers
( ) Interested In Running Club Tournaments
( ) Interested In Serving on PHTC Board

Waiver of Liability

I understand that sporting activity presents a risk of injury. I hereby assume all risks of any injury that I may suffer as a result of participation in any tennis activity sponsored by the Pleasant Hill Tennis Club and any activity whatsoever occurring on the premises of any tennis facility that is in any way maintained by that club or supervised by it. I hereby waive and release all claims or causes of actions that I may acquire against the Pleasant Hill Tennis Club, the Pleasant Hill Recreation and Park District, their officers, members, representatives, and agents from all liability to me resulting from any injury I may suffer as a consequence of any alleged negligence of any such entities or persons in connection with the sponsorship and conduct of any such event or the maintenance or supervision of any tennis facility.

Your signature below indicates you have read and understand the waiver of liability.

Each member 18 and over must sign below or application will be returned.

Signature 1: _____ Date: _____

Signature 2: _____ Date: _____

Signature 3: _____ Date: _____

Send To: Kris Hunter
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Martinez, CA 94553

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