

May - June 2018

Save The Dates

Tues., May 1stBoard Meeting Sat., May 5th.....Mixer Sun., May 13th......Mom's Day Mixer Sat., May 19thMixer Sun., May 27th.....Mixer Mon., May 28th....Mem. Day Tourney



Sat., June 2nd	Mixer
Tues., June 5th	Board Meeting
Sun., June 10th	Mixer
Sat., June 16th	Mixer
Sun., June 17th	.Dad's Day Mixer
Sat., June 23rd	Mixer

President's Message

Fun Mixers continue to be attended by a variety of members. There has been a mix of young, middle-aged and senior participants ranging in skill level from beginner to USTA 4.0- rated (see page 3). During the recent rainy weather, some members assisted Tommy Butler to help make the wet courts playable for both the Mixer and USTA matches to follow. Kudos go to James Sowers, Ken Castleton and Ed Cohn for their much-needed help!



What a wonderful and thoughtful donation from a long-time member! A BIG THANK YOU to Bill Drysdale who donated a modern, rechargeable ball machine! It is being stored in the PHMS shed for use by members.

The After-School Tennis Program began another Spring session sponsored by the PHTC (see page 4).

Our 5.5 Men's Combo Team are Sectional Champions! They even have an article in the current edition of Inside Tennis. page 42 (see pages 5, 6).

The 2018 USTA Spring League season has begun. Eight (8) teams are competing in the season. (see page 5).

Remember, the annual Memorial Day tournament is fast-approaching (see after page 6).



Did You Know?

Question: A player is about to hit their second serve. The ball had been tossed and the serve is in motion when the opponent yells out "stop" because he thinks a ball was coming onto the court. The server catches the ball. They wait a moment, but the ball never rolls onto the court. Does the server get a first or a second serve?

Answer: In this scenario, the server is entitled to a first serve. The interruption, as you described it, happened while they were in motion. An interruption during the delivery of a second service gives the server a first service.

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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 218 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. 2017 dues are \$60 per year for individual memberships and \$75 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; 1 Santa Barbara Road. Over the years, the Club has provided maintenance, nets and windscreens, and shared 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 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 of \$10 or \$15 if late to the tournament director, Donna Carnahan (carnahan70@gmail.com) by

(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

Below are photos from the annual Easter Mixer:





After School Program

The 2018 Spring Pleasant Hill Middle School After-School Tennis Program is in its fifth week after having to delay due to continued rainy conditions.

The Monday class enrollment is smaller than usual, however, this allows me to focus more on each individual student's needs with the hope that they will eventually be joining the more challenging Wednesday class.

The Wednesday class is full and with the exception of one, all are returning students. I have been mixing up the lessons by introducing new shots, such as the drop shot, as well as how to effectively approach the net. Some days the kids play matches and at other times, we do drills and play games. Many of them are training and planning to play high school-level tennis.

Thank you to Jim and Rita Utz for providing a couple of tennis scholarships to deserving students!

Monica Ruiz-Hiramoto, PHTC Tennis Pro and After School Program Coordinator



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 2018 PHTC members.



Membership Dues

Please all remember to get your membership dues paid for 2018! In order to participate in weekend Mixers, Tournaments and League tennis, you must be a full member in good standing for \$60 a year per individual or \$75 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 UPDATE

Current Season: Adult League 18 & Over - April 2nd to June 24th

Current Teams
Women 3.0, Captain Mary Akli
Women 3.5, Captain Donna Carnahan
Women 4.0, Captain Asa Forsman
Men 3.0, Captain Jim Karas
Men 3.5, Captain David Wax
Men 4.0, Captain Damon Turner

Thank you to all those who volunteer to Captain and Co- Captain a team and make sure our club is a great place to play tennis.

If you are interested in future Captaining of a PHTC team contact the USTA coordinator Chris Rascle at chrisrascle63@gmail.com

Thanks, Chris PHTC USTA Coordinator

Our 5.5 Men's Combo Team are Sectional Champions!

We won the first day of Sectionals! Line 1 Gary and Ernie and Line 3 Phil and Arun took the W for the team!! Tim and Stefan put up a great fight and had some amazing shots, however, their opponents were consistent and took the match.

We are off to a fantastic start and hoped to continue to carry this winning momentum to Sunday's matches.

I thought winning the first day of Sectionals was pretty great yesterday but want to know what feels even better??? TAKING THE WHOLE DARN THING! That's right this Cinderella team are Sectionals Champions!

For the morning match, we had Alex and Jesse on Line 1; Perry and Greg were on Line 2 and had to play on center court; and Andrew and Salem played on Line 3. Perry and Greg won pretty handily in straight sets. Andrew and Salem lost but took many games to deuce. It was up to Alex and Jesse to get the win. They took it in a third set tie-break. At that point, the team already won. But we still had the three afternoon matches. Perry and Arun played on Line 1; Salem and Jesse on 2; and Gary and Andrew on Line 3. Although the pm matches were just icing on the cake, these guys decided they wanted sprinkles on top of the icing. All three lines won the pm matches! That's right, we ended with a sweep!

Thank you to each and every one of you who joined the team! The regular season was rough but, gentlemen, you are USTA Champs!

The following were players on the team: Emmanuel Comes, Ernie Costello, Phillip Johnson, Steffen Johnson, Jim Karas, Al Keyes, Arun Kumar, Andrew Matthew, Alex Murray, Jesse, Omamogho, Gary Scott, Perry Seto, Tim Shaw, Greg Snyder and Salem Zahiri.

Roz Zahiri & Malou Matthew

USTA UPDATE

Below are photos from the Sectionals in Fresno, Ca.



























Tournament

Date: Monday, May 28th 8:45 - 12:00 (lunch)

\$10 to play/ Registration expires on May 26th

Player 1:	_ Rating:
Phone#:	
Player 2:	Rating
Number of players:	
Lunch only \$6:	

Sign up on our website -P-Htennisclub.com and fill out the form and pay with Pay Pal OR Email Donna to save your spot and pay at the tournament.

This email is your commitment to play

Please plan on staying for the entire Tournament



2018 Membership Application or Renewal

MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JANUARY 1st TO DECEMBER 31st

P.O. Box 231093 Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Check One: New Member () Renewal () Check One: Individual () Family () All members 18 and over must sign below			
Individual (18 or older) \$60.00 or Family \$75.00 (Check payable to PHTC) ***Deadline for 2018 Dues is February 28, 2018***			
NEW MEMBERS ONLY: as of July 1 st Individual or Family \$30			
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:			
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.			
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Signature 2:Date:			
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