

# “On the line”

February 2005

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## “Hello Tournament” to kick off 2005 for SMTC, Sunday, February 27

It's time again to say “hello” to old friends and meet some new ones. The annual “Hello Tournament” which includes a doubles tournament and dinner, will be held **Sunday February 27th** (in case of rain the event will be held on March 6th) This year, non-members are also welcome to sign up for this event as a guest of a member.

Entrants will play with many different partners in a mostly mixed doubles round-robin format in either morning or afternoon sessions. There will be prizes and refreshments, followed by a dinner at nearby Earth, Wind & Flour, located at 2222 Wilshire Blvd. in Santa Monica. The 2004 Grand Prix awards will be presented and we will have an Academy Award contest for those who choose to stay and watch the awards. The cost of the tournament, including dinner, is \$26.00. You can also opt to not play in the tournament and just come to the dinner for \$16.00.

Send the enclosed entry form by Saturday, February 19th, along with a check made payable to SMTC, to Ron Elmer, 10724 Debra Avenue, Granada Hills, CA 91344. Hope to see you all there! - Ron Elmer, Social Director

## Riviera Resort & Racquet Club Trip - Palm Springs March 11 - 13, 2005

After a personal inspection of the Riviera Resort SMTC has planned a trip to Palm Springs again. All rooms have been renovated and all facilities have been brought to newest standards. The resort has received several Awards in the past two years. The Resort offers many on-site activities:

- Nine tennis courts (five lighted for night play)
- Two swimming pools with Jacuzzi
- Fitness Center
- The Grill, The Bar, Starbucks Espresso café
- Shuttle to/from Downtown Palm Springs



- A lighted 18-hole championship putting course
- Sand Volleyball
- Classic Croquet

SMTC members have in the past enjoyed great tennis at the resort. We plan on playing organized tennis Saturday all day and Sunday morning. Dinner and trophy ceremony are planned for

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### February Calendar

#### Sunday Open Play\*

2/13, 2/20

#### Santa Monica Senior Tournament

2/5 - 2/6

#### Hello Tournament

2/27

\*Open Play hours are 8:00am - 4:00pm on courts 1 & 2, and 9:00am - 2:00pm on court 6. Court 1 is the Challenge Court.

**2005 Calendar At-A-Glance**

- JANUARY**  
29-30 S.M. City Seniors Tournament
- FEBRUARY**  
5-6 S.M. City Seniors Tournament  
27 HELLO Doubles Tournament
- MARCH**  
Summer Singles RR begins  
6 Raindate for Hello Tournament  
11-13 Trip: Riviera  
18 Friday Night March Madness  
22-26 Dudley Cup (Juniors)
- APRIL**  
3 Interclub: Cypress Club  
16-17 Singles Tournament
- MAY**  
20 Friday Nite Spring Fling  
27-29 Trip: Morgan Run
- JUNE**  
Summer Singles RR begins  
26 Member/Guest Tournament
- JULY**  
1-3 Trip: Casa Via Mar  
15 Friday In the Heat of the Night  
23 Malibu Interclub
- AUGUST**  
12 Friday Night - Dog Days of Summer  
21 Team Tennis Tournament  
27-28 SM City Open
- SEPTEMBER**  
3-5 SM City Open  
10-11 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS  
17-18 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS  
26 Open Board Meeting
- OCTOBER**  
28 Fright Night Friday
- NOVEMBER**  
4-6 Trip: Shadow Mountain  
13 Turkey Shoot Tournament
- DECEMBER**  
4 Interclub - Tri-Club at SMTC

**IT'S A BRAND NEW YEAR**

**HEAR YE HEAR YE and A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!** Your SMTC Board of Directors for 2005 has been duly elected! Officers: President: Elizabeth Dorzback, Vice President: Brian Page, Secretary: Marguerite Jorgensen and Treasurer: Bruce Schelden. Directors: Membership: Joanie Rippner, Ladder: Bruce Janger, Social: Ron Elmer, Interclub: Gillian Cook and Trips: Jutta Ruehl. We're very excited to have a full nine-member Board of Directors for the first time in many years and we are actively organizing many events for the club. We look forward to seeing you come out and support these exciting events that we are planning for you. We'd like to thank outgoing President **Brian Page** for his recent leadership. Under his tenure, the club navigated through the choppy waters of mounting cost increases and board member changes. A special highlight was the wonderful **75th Anniversary Celebration** (which members are still talking about). Thank you again, Brian. The new Board of Directors is rarin' to make 2005 an outstanding year for SMTC! See you on the courts! Feel free to contact any of us with your questions, suggestions and volunteerism!

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**WELCOME EVERYONE**

Welcome SMTC members new and old and a wonderful 2005 to you all!! Mark your calendars **NOW** for some of this year's highlight events: Grand Prix Singles Tournament (April 16-17), Social Member/Guest Tournament (June 26), Grand Prix Team Tennis Tournament (Aug.21) and especially this year's **Club Championships Sept. 10, 11, 17, 18**. Your Board of Directors is also very busy scheduling, Interclub Tournaments, weekend get-aways and the ever-popular Friday Night Socials. A more detailed calendar of the 2005 activities can be found on the Club's website: [www.santamonicatennisclub.com](http://www.santamonicatennisclub.com). Visit the website often for the most current information on events, ladder standings and news. We'd like to especially encourage participation in Sunday Open Play, which is one of the services included in your membership fee. The club pays for the court time from 8am-4pm. Check your SMTC Handbook for the Open Play guidelines and come down on Sundays for fun and for free! Also, just a quick reminder to everyone that for each new member you refer to the club you get a \$5.00 coupon to use toward the entry fee of any tournament; after referring five new members, you get a **free 1-year Club membership!!** So WIN-WIN and improve our club!! See you on the courts!

- Elizabeth Dorzback, SMTC President

**Spring Singles Round Robin**

*"From you have I been absent in the spring When proud-pied April, dressed in all his trim, Hath put a spirit of youth in everything"* (Sonnet 98 WS)

Don't be absent in the **2005 Spring Singles Round Robin**, March through May. Play a series of matches, arranged at your convenience, with players in your NTRP division. Kick the snow off your boots and sharpen up your singles game, meet new players, enjoy exciting competition & earn Grand Prix points!!

Entry fee only \$10.00. Send entry form to Brian Page 5900 Canterbury dr. K129 Culver City California 90230. **Deadline for entry is March 1st 2005.**

**2005 SMTC Board of Directors**

**Officers**

President	Elizabeth Dorzback	310-829-3293
Vice-President	Brian Page	310-410-8995
Secretary	Marguerite Jorgensen	310-454-2408
Treasurer	Bruce Schelden	310-306-7115

**Directors**

Social	Ron Elmer	818-903-2170
Ladder	Bruce Janger	310-392-0680
Membership	Joanie Rippner	310-458-7368
Tournaments	Elizabeth Dorzback	310-829-3293
Interclub	Gillian Cook	310-740-1538
Trips	Jutta Ruehl	310-208-6882

**Riviera Resort Trip**

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Saturday night. The trip coincides with the **Pacific Life Open**, an ATP Masters Series and WTA Tour Event, March 7 - 20, 2005 at the Tennis Garden in Indian Wells. There will be sufficient time to attend some of the earlier rounds of the tournament with ticket prices starting at \$15.00, lots of special events going on that weekend. Please call me or go to the tournament website [www.pacificlifeopen.com](http://www.pacificlifeopen.com) for more information. So, please sign up as soon as possible, as a limited number of rooms are available. Cost is **\$263.00** per person(double occupancy), **\$445.00** (single occupancy) includes:

1. Two nights hotel (double occupancy - If you need a roommate we will try to get one for you)
2. All organized tennis, trophies, balls
3. Saturday evening happy hour
4. Saturday night dinner

**Deadline for the signup is March 1.**

**Cypress Tennis Club Interclub**

**Sunday, April 3rd**

Mark your calendars! Celebrate the return of daylight savings!

Look for specifics and sign-up sheet in the next newsletter.

**Welcome New Members:**

- Benjamin Rubinstein 3.5 310-451-4414
- Rosette Sperling 4.0 310-472-1818
- Stephen Sperling 4.5 310-472-1818
- Jeffrey Sperling 3.5 310-472-1818
- Cyrus Namini 4.5 310-490-9326
- Reeni Fischer 3.5 310-234-8891
- Leonard Fischer 3.5 310-234-8891

**2004 Grand Prix Point Totals**

Below you will find the Grand Prix point totals of everyone who earned a single point during 2004. These include points from tournaments, singles round robins, and (to a maximum of 500) ladder points. The men’s and women’s champions, **Bruce Janger** and **Sherry Harrison**, are first-time winners. For 2005, it could be you, so get busy with round robins, major and minor Grand Prix tournaments (identified in your handbook), and the ladders.

Bruce Janger 900	Candice Forshterz 245	Joanie Rippner 80
Russell Braunstein 740	Dylan Bry 240	Jennifer Clark 80
Sherry Harrison 680	Ana Eliza Ferber 240	Nicole Barbato 80
John Raiss 630	Park Liu 210	Margaret Kapler 80
Richard Levik 590	Mike Schmidt 200	Gillian Cook 80
Carol Katz 500	Olivia Burgos 200	Jose Luis Gonzalez 80
Allan Greenberg 480	Raymond Lopez 180	Joe Hanania 70
Audree Clarke 470	Eric Wilson 160	Michael Pulford 70
Chris Clarke 420	Lisa Scott 160	Katherine Spetner 70
Susanne Glaholm 410	Carrie Gold 160	Peter Shustari 60
Danny Walters 400	Charles Thorne 160	David Morton 60
Atul Sharma 400	Herb Young 150	Barbara Kobata 45
Mary Durkin 400	Rick DeWeese 140	Diane Bell 40
Laurie Drake 400	Joan Matis 140	Roger Noorthoek 40
Elizabeth Dorzback 390	Sam Herr 140	Yoko Takasumi 40
Steve Dorman 350	Tom Johnson 120	Lance Clarke 40
Bob Shubert 320	Lia Farley 120	Kay Mills 30
Jerry Zamarin 320	Klavda Goldshteyn 120	Josh Monesson 30
Rob Kaufman 320	Bruce Schelden 120	Brian Page 20
Michael Perka 320	Allan Fawcett 120	David Findley 15
Stephen Olsen 320	Kathy Reilly 120	Nancy Greep 10
Linda Martin 320	Bill Jias 110	Laura Horowitz 10
Diana Marquez 320	Robert Jones 90	Jesse Singer 10
Ben Murphy 320	Chie Kawauchi 90	Anne Bazil 10
Raul Hernandez 305	Ted Malek 90	Joyce Cortese 10
Mike Germroth 290	Bill Roberti 90	Phoebe Neil 10
George Kimura 290	Marie Lafayette 90	Doris Bryce 5
Ron Elmer 280	Josh Mallamud 80	John Goalwin 5
Marguerite Jorgensen 280	Dennis Mooney 80	Patti Kingston 5
Gwen Coleman 280	Boris Kashemirov 80	Sue Moore 5
Marty Katz 250	Marie McGuire 80	



# SMTc CHALLENGE LADDERS

“Snapshot” of standings taken January 17, 2005. Please see the website for current standings: [www.santamonicatennisclub.com](http://www.santamonicatennisclub.com)

## Open Singles

1. Raul Hernandez (4.0)
2. Mike Schmidt (4.5)
3. George Kimura (3.5)
4. Marty Katz (4.5)
5. Richard Levik (4.0)
6. Steve Dorman (4.0)
7. Bill Roberti (4.5)
8. Peter Shustari (4.0)
9. Mike Germroth (4.0)
10. Russell Braunstein
11. Allan Greenberg (4.0)
12. Josh Mallamud (4.0)
13. Rick DeWeese (4.5)
14. Michael Pulford (4.0)
15. Park Liu (4.0)
16. Bruce Janger (4.0)
17. John Raiss (4.5)
18. Bill Jias (4.0)
19. Jerry Zamarin (4.0)
20. Candice Forshterz (4.5)
21. Bob Shubert (3.5)
22. Josh Monesson (3.5)
23. Joe Hanania (3.5)
24. Raymond Lopez (3.5)

## Women’s Singles

1. Candice Forshterz (4.5)
2. Audree Clarke (4.0)
3. Carol Katz (4.0)
4. Susanne Glaholm (3.5)
5. Elizabeth Dorzback (4.0)
6. Kay Mills (3.5)
7. Barbara Kobata (4.0)
8. Nancy Greep (4.0)

## Mixed Doubles

1. Phoebe Neil (4.5) / Mike Schmidt (4.5)
2. Candice Forshterz (4.5) / John Goalwin (3.0)

## Women’s Doubles

1. Marie Lafayette (4.0) / Katherine Spetner (4.0)
2. Anne Bazil (4.0) / Joyce Cortese (4.0)
3. Patti Kingston (3.5) / Sue Moore (3.5)
4. Doris Bryce (3.5) / Barbara Kobata (3.5)

## Men’s Doubles

1. Brian Page (4.5) / Mike Schmidt (4.5)
2. David Findley / Raul Hernandez (4.0)
3. Mike Germroth (4.0) / David Morton (4.0)
4. Allan Greenberg (3.5) / Jim Metzger (4.0)

## Newly-Won Positions

Date	Challenger	Defeated
1/17/05	Marty Katz	Richard Levik
12/17/04	Steve Dorman	Marty Katz
11/28/04	George Kimura	Richard Levik
11/28/04	George Kimura	Steve Dorman

## Positions Recently Defended

Date	Defender	Defeated
12/24/04	Allan Greenberg	Bruce Janger
12/06/04	Susanne Glaholm	Kay Mills
12/09/04	Park Liu	Bruce Janger
11/04/04	Richard Levik	Steve Dorman

## Deleted at own request:

Ted Malek  
Open Singles

Chie Kawauchi  
Open Singles

Kathy Reilly / Ron Elmer  
Mixed Doubles

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## NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

**Bruce Janger** pulled another shocker and won the 2004 men’s title for most ladder points with 610, edging out **Steve Dorman**, who had 350. **Marty Katz** and **George Kimura** tied for third with 250. **Candice Forshterz** took the women’s crown with 245 points, with **Chie Kawauchi** and **Susanne Glaholm** tied for second at 90.

A few people are missing for not having played two matches in 2004. And if **Roger Federer** doesn’t play two matches in a year, he won’t keep his number one ranking either.

# Riviera Resort and Racquet Club

## Tennis Trip

March 11 - 13, 2005

Palm Springs

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  male  female

Phone (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Your E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Your NTRP level:  2.5  3.0  3.5  4.0  4.5  5+

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guest E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Is Guest a Tennis Player?  Yes  No

Guest NTRP level:  2.5  3.0  3.5  4.0  4.5  5+

Person You'll Share Room With: \_\_\_\_\_

Can You Drive Carpool?  Yes  No How Many? \_\_\_\_\_

### Enclose:

1) Check payable to "SMTC" for:

\$263.00 per person (double occupancy) or

\$445.00 (single occupancy)

2) Stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope (not required if you furnish e-mail address)

Mail to: SMTC c/o Jutta Ruehl, 625 Midvale Ave. #4  
Los Angeles, CA 90024

Deadline: Entries must be received by Tuesday, March 1

# SMTC Annual Hello

## Mixed Doubles Tournament

Sunday, February 27, 2005

(rain date: Sunday, March 6, 2005)

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  male  female

Phone (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Your E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Your NTRP level:  3.0  3.5  4.0  4.5  Open

Will you play up one division if necessary?  Yes  No

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guest E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Is Guest a Tennis Player?  Yes  No

Guest NTRP level:  3.0  3.5  4.0  4.5  Open

### Enclose:

1) Check payable to "SMTC" for:

\$26 per person (for tennis and dinner) or

\$16 (dinner only) (Guests for dinner are also \$10 each)

2) Stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope (not required if you furnish e-mail address)

Mail to: SMTC, c/o Ron Elmer, 10724 Debra Avenue, Granada Hills CA. 91344

Deadline: Entries must be received by Saturday, February 19



# Spring Singles Round Robin

## Major Grand Prix Event

March thru May, 2005

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Circle: Man Woman

Phone (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Circle NTRP level: 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5+

Open Division  Men's Division  Women's Division

### Enclose:

1) Check payable to SMTC

(\$10 per player)

2) Self-addressed stamped envelope

(only if you haven't provided e-mail address)

### Mail to:

SMTC

c/o Brian Page

5900 Canterbury Dr. K129

Culver City CA, 90230

### Deadline:

Entries must be received by Tuesday, March 1