



“On the line”

July 2005

Friday Fling Recap

On May 20th SMTC held the Spring Fling - Friday Night Mixed Doubles Tournament under a full moon at Reed Park. After a bit of last minute phoning we managed to assemble 24 eager tennis players to battle for King Of The Hill. After five hotly contested rounds Phoebe Neil and Randy Chow were the Champions on Court One. Later in the evening a few of the vanquished repaired to Earth Wind and Flour to drink Margaritas and lick our wounds.

Welcome New Members:

- Mariana Boctor 4.5 310-365-3184
- Ronald Brock 4.0 310-467-5753
- Marie Gowrie 3.0 310 826-2219
(returning member)
- Carol Lewis 4.0 310-417-3681

July Calendar

Sunday Open Play*

7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/23, 7/30

Summer Singles Round Robin

Starts July 5

Friday Night Tournament

July 15

*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.

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“In the Heat of the Night”

Friday Night Tournaments Continue

Continuing the popular Friday Night mixed doubles round robin tournaments, join the next one which will be held on July 15th at Reed Park. The schedule is from 7 pm to 9:30 pm and the entry fee is \$10 for members and \$12 for non-member guests. The fee includes court time, balls and snacks. Send your entry form to Bruce Schelden, 8128 Manitoba Street Unit 101, Playa del Rey, CA 90293. Deadline for entry is July 10th.

Morgan Run Tennis Trip Wrap-Up

After two years SMTC members visited again the beautiful Morgan Run Club & Resort in Rancho Santa Fe. Many of the early arrivals went Friday night for dinner to the “Beach House”, one of the most scenic settings right at ocean front of Solana Beach. Saturday, Morgan Run TC’s tennis pro, Peter, arranged an interclub with SMTC. We understood that they didn’t bring their best players out, but SMTC just dominated and won by a large margin. The afternoon ended with social play, only the hardiest players showed up. Dinner was served on the patio and we were entertained by rising hot air balloons in various colors. Sunday morning ended with round robin tennis and all participants agreed that Morgan Run should be on SMTC’s list of ‘best places to visit’.

A Day On The Riviera

The tone of the interclubs held so far this year has been that of very friendly rivalry, and the Riviera Country Club experience was no exception. Located just off Sunset Boulevard, this very prestigious venue was the perfect setting for the sociable exchange. Pam Austin, Director of Tennis, graciously hosted our group to three sets of tennis that were followed by lunch in the pavilion. We have been invited back, so sign up next time!

Although we request that you sign up with a partner for many of our events, we encourage you to contact the event coordinator to see if they can match you up with someone rather than sit it out.

Summer Singles Round Robin Major Grand Prix Event Starts July 5

Singles players take note, SMTC’s Summer Singles Round Robin is coming. Be a player! Get match tough and enjoy competition in your NTRP division as you schedule your matches at your convenience throughout the summer!! Enter now! Entry fee \$10.00 per player. Send enclosed entry form along with the entry fee to Jutta Ruehl.

“Save the Dates”

Team Tennis: August 21
Club Championships in September

SMTC CHALLENGE LADDERS

“Snapshot” of standings taken June 20, 2005. Please see the website for current standings: www.santamonicatennisclub.com

Open Singles

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

Women’s Singles

1. Audree Clarke (4.0)
2. Carol Katz (4.0)
3. Elizabeth Dorzback (4.0)
4. Kay Mills (3.5)
5. Barbara Kobata (4.0)

Mixed Doubles

1. Phoebe Neil (4.5) / Mike Schmidt (4.5)

Women’s Doubles

1. Marie Lafayette (4.0) / Katherine Spetner (4.0)
2. Patti Kingston (3.5) / Sue Moore (3.5)
3. Elizabeth Dorzback (4.0) / Linda Martin (4.0)

Men’s Doubles

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

Newly-Won Positions

Date	Challenger	Defeated
6/17/05	Bill Roberti	Marty Katz
6/8/05	Bill Roberti	Richard Levik

Positions Recently Defended

Date	Defender	Defeated
6/17/05	Peter Shushtari	Allan Greenberg
6/10/05	Carol Katz	Kay Mills
6/5/05	Mike Schmidt	Peter Shushtari

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Bill Roberti made two moves up the ladder in ten days. You never know what will happen until you try. We hope Bill doesn’t find the view too dizzying from such a lofty height. Kudos also go to **Peter Shushtari** for winning three matches in just over a month.

There is no misprint; **Bruce Janger**, undergoing treatment on his left knee, didn’t play a ladder match for over a month. But he recently ran up the steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, a la “Rocky,” so the knee must be ready to return to action.

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In The Heat of The Night

Friday Night Tennis

Reed Park - July 15th, 2005, 7:00-9:30 p.m.

Your Name _____

Phone (h) _____ (w) _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Your E-Mail _____

NTRP Level: 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0

Circle: Male Female

Guest Name _____

Guest Level: 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0

Circle: Male Female

Enclose:

Check payable to "SMTC" for \$10 /member, \$12 /guest

Mail to: Bruce Schelden, 8128 Manitoba St., #101,
Playa del Rey, CA 90293

Entries must be received by Sunday, July 10th

Summer Singles Round Robin

Major Grand Prix Event

Starts July 5, 2005

Your Name _____

Circle: Male Female

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 Jutta Ruehl, 625 Midvale Ave. #4
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