

Courtside Chatter THE PLACE FOR TENNIS IN VENICE

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Dear Courtside Members,

Summer has arrived in full force, and that means sunshine, tennis, and plenty of fun on the courts. With rising temperatures, we want to make sure you're staying safe, hydrated, and up-to-date with everything happening at Courtside. Here's what you need to know this season:

Stay Cool: 3 Summer Hydration Tips

- Hydrate Before You Play: Don't wait until you're on the court. Drink water throughout the day to keep your body ready for activity.
- Bring Electrolytes: Sweat depletes important minerals. Replenish with sports drinks or electrolyte tablets to stay balanced and avoid cramping.
- Take Breaks & Shade Up: Rest often and seek shade between sets to cool down and give your body a breather.

Guest Policy Reminder

We love seeing new faces at Courtside! Please remember:

All guests must sign in and pay at the office before hitting the courts.

This helps us ensure a safe and organized experience for everyone.

Facility Update: Fencing Project Starts June 6.

We're making improvements! Our fencing project kicks off next **week on June 6.** Please be mindful of ongoing work and temporary court adjustments. Thank you for your patience as we enhance your tennis experience.

New Clinics Coming Soon

More information on times and days coming via email to the club!!

We're thrilled to announce exciting new clinics designed to elevate your game, all led by Coach Daniel and Coach Isaac:

Art of Defense (Coach Daniel)

Master the skills of doubles defense. Learn how to reset the point, stay alive, and give your partner more chances to shine.

Volley, Volley, Volley (Coach Daniel)

This intensive volley-focused clinic is perfect for players looking to sharpen their net game with advanced drills and techniques.

High-Level Tennis IQ (Coach Daniel)

Make smarter decisions on the court. Understand the do's and don'ts of shot selection and build your strategic thinking.

Evening Cardio & 105 (Coach Isaac)

Pump up your energy with music, movement, and high-paced cardio tennis-capped off with a new 105 doubles scoring game.

Working on Winning,

Daniel Manieri
Tennis Director-Courtside Tennis Club
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News from the Board

We are excited that our long-awaited fence project is officially underway! We want to thank everyone for their patience and understanding as we work to improve our club's facilities. We know that construction can be inconvenient, but we truly believe this investment will be well worth it in the end

Our old fence had served us for over 35 years, but time and weather had taken their toll. Rust, holes, and weakened sections meant that even a strong wind could have brought down an entire bank of fencing-potentially putting several courts out of commission for months. By replacing the fence now, we're not only enhancing the safety and appearance of our club, but also ensuring uninterrupted play for years to come.

We've had several members ask how they can help or contribute to the project. If you'd like to make a donation to offset some of the expense, we would greatly appreciate your support! Donations can be dropped off or sent to the club office-please write "Fence Project" in the memo line of your check.

In other news, our hardworking Landscaping Committee just completed a major project, repairing our underground sprinkler system. This will help keep our plants green and healthy through the hot summer months.

Though it may feel like we just wrapped up league season, it's never too early to start planning for fall! If you're interested in captaining a team, please complete a league request form in the office. The board will review and approve leagues based on court availability.

Finally, remember to stay hydrated and take care of yourself in the summer heat. Thank you all for your continued support.

Keep enjoying the game we all love!

Tom Lanigan President

Courtside Board of Directors

Tom Lanigan—President Debbie Cavness—Vice President Lee Scott—Treasurer Sally Pym—Secretary Batky Barber Rosie Greenfield Sandy Murphy

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Bruce Irish 2

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Mark Soffer 3

Ray Arthur 4

Elsa Dempsey 6

Walt Kreidler 6

Martha Forward 15

Sally Miller 23

Steve Robbins 26

Jan Seaton 28







Ice Cold Towels

Just a reminder on these hot summer days, that by the porch entryway is a cooler with ice cold towels to use for your convenience.

Please return the used towels in the bin next to the cooler.

However, we are running low on towels so check your bag. If by chance you have accidently taken one of them home, when you get a chance, please return it.

Thank you!

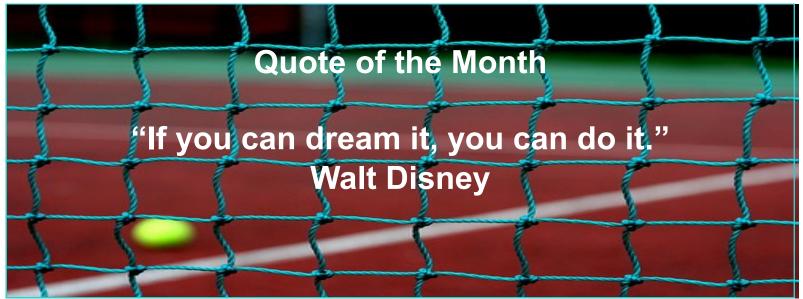
Dates to Remember

Mark your calendar!!

Friday, June 6th-Fence Project Begins Wednesday, June 11th-Board Meeting @ 1:00

Sunday, June 15th-Happy Father's Day!





Reminder

All full-time members can pay their monthly membership dues through their bank's Bill Pay Option. Once you set that up with your bank, the bank will send a check directly to Courtside each month on the date you specify.

For your Information

The monthly Courtside Board of Directors Meeting Minutes is posted every month on the bulletin board next to the kitchen window marked Board Meeting Material.

Also, there is a copy of the latest Courtside rules & regulations of the club on the bulletin board as well.

REMINDER

Just a reminder that there is a defibrillator on the porch next to the office door in case of an emergency.

LOST & FOUND—REMINDER

Our Lost & Found is located in our Conference Room just to the left as you enter. Please let's keep the porch ledge surface clean.

TO PLAY ON THE FOLLOWING:

Thank you

Courtside Staff

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Saturday

Friday



On-Line Reservation 8:00 am., 9:30 am., or 11:00 am

BOOK/CALL ON

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

The on-line reservation system will now be open all year around including all holidays.

Sunday (Office is Closed)

*Court 4 is reserved for lessons & clinics

*Court 5-when available

*During League Play ladies and men will use designated courts as assigned by the Director of Tennis, beginning at noon.



When you have a guest playing at Courtside, please remember to register them in the office. If the office is closed at the time you are scheduled to play, please let Mo or Sue know that you had a guest after office hours. The guest fee is always \$10.00. Thank you for your cooperation.

Taking a month off from Member Spotlight to enjoy our beautiful pond at Courtside. We thank Jim Hester for making the duck houses which allows our resident ducks to enjoy our grounds. Enjoy your summer everyone!

Debbie



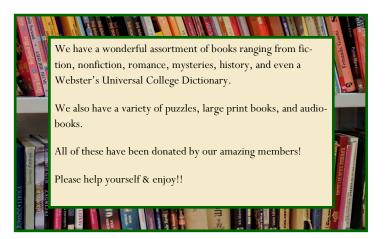


Sale!!
Tennis shirts on sale rack only
\$15.00

New merchandise coming soon!

You can now follow us on Instagram @ courtsidealley See all the newest additions to our Courtside shop!

Courtside's Library



Informal Groups at Courtside

(M, T, W, Th, F) 8:00 am Contact Steve Robbins venicewild@gmail.com phone: 941-416-5684

(F) 9:30 am Men Contact Jim Clark Clarkjm2521@gmail.com or text 224-656-3214

(Sun) Mixed doubles 8:00 am-social play. Contact: Frank Christman frank.christman@verizon.net 941-497-2904

- (W) Mixed doubles 3.0 level and above, various times, all levels. Contact Jim Clark-Clarkjm2521@gmail.com or text 224-656-3214
- (F) Everyone Welcome 3.0 Mixed doubles, various times. Contact Mary Jane (MJ) Obrien 949-290-7853 maryjane.obrien@gmail.com
- (S) Saturday Mixed Doubles, all levels, various times. Contact Sandy Murphy 443-735-9699 slmurph1060@gmail.com

Want to learn the game of Mah Jongg?

Join Courtside for a fun-filled afternoon of Mah Jongg every Monday at 1:00 pm.

Willing to teach new people. Sign-up sheets are on the porch.





Remember

Monday—Late Bird Clinic with Ula 9:00-10:00

Monday Men's Double Clinic (Two Court Clinic) 12:00-1:00 With Daniel & Isaac

Wednesday-Shot of the Week with Ula 9:00-10:00

Wednesday-Men's Double Clinic with Isaac 11:00-12:00

Thursday-DST-Doubles strategy & tactics with Isaac 9:00-10:00

Thursday-WOW-Working on Winning with Isaac 10:00-11:00

Call the office and reserve a spot or sign up on the bulletin board outside the office.

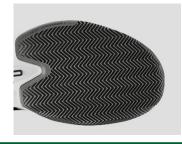
Check your shoes

As we continue to prioritize safety with additional watering, regular maintenance, scheduled scarification, and adding new material, it's crucial to remind our members about the importance of wearing proper footwear.

We kindly ask all members to check if their tennis shoes are suitable for our Har-Tru courts. Look for that trusty zigzag or herringbone pattern on the soles-it's a game-changer for maintaining traction and preventing slips.

Ensuring you have the right shoes in good condition doesn't just keep you safe, but it might also give your tennis game a little boost!

Let's all play our part in staying safe.



PlayByPoint (PBP) Tips

Here is this month's PBP tip:

How to Add a Guest User when making a reservation on your phone.

- Select Guest
- Fill in Guest Name and Select Accept
- 3. Select Done

How to Add a Guest User when making a reservation on your computer:

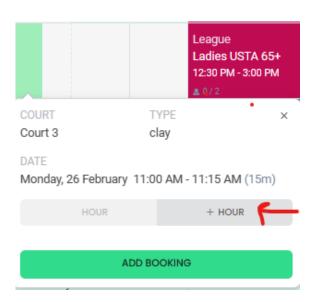
- Select Add Guest User
- 2. Guest will appear
- Select the Edit Pencil and type in the name of the guest and Select Save
- Continue to Book the court

How to reserve a court in 15 minute/half hour increments for courts reserved at 11am:

Via PBP cell phone app-If you want to reserve a court from 11am-12:30pm, select each half hour increment (11-11:30am, 11:30am-12pm, 12-12:30pm), then select the Court #, Next, add players names, Next, Book.

Or once you have selected 11:00am-11:15am, left click on the reservation, hold the clicker down and drag the reservation to where you want the reservation to end. Release the clicker.

Via PBP website-select the time you would like to start (11am in the example on the right), then select "+ Hour" for each additional 15 minutes. Select "Add Booking", Enter player names, Select "Book".



Did you know that you can check the availability of the courts by logging into PlayByPoint and seeing the status of the courts when we have inclement weather? If using your laptop/computer, don't forget to refresh the screen for current updates.



For your information

- ⇒ Every night, PlayByPoint (PBP) is refreshed/updated from the day before. To make sure you have the most accurate and up-to-date information on court playability, be sure your web page or app has been updated or refreshed from the night before.
- ⇒ Also, when PBP does system updates, the always logged on users do not get the update and not having the update can cause the user to be cancelled so that reservations cannot be made. Please log off and on each time you use the system.

MANAGING YOUR FRIENDS LIST ON PBP

You can add players to your Friends list by going to your Directory and clicking on your SEARCH FRIENDS cell. This will take you to your members list. Once in the members list you can click the FOLLOW cell for each member you want to add to your Friends list.

To remove players from your Friends list, go to the members list and click UNFOLLOW for each player you want to remove from your Friends list.

Six of your Friends are displayed below the Find Players cell when you are making reservations and can be added to your reservation by clicking on the ADD cell below your friend's name.

Once names are permanently deleted they will no longer appear on your member list and cannot be UNFOLLOWED or removed from your Friends List.

If you have 2 email addresses in PlayByPoint (PBP), you may not receive email reminders of your court reservation. Please contact Fred Morrison, at docmorrison@comcast.net or MO in the office. Please let either one know the valid email address to be used.