

## Tennis Committee Meeting Minutes – June 4, 2008

- **Bring Meeting To Order:**

**Attending:** George Kane, Amy Ciarrocchi, Alan Canfield, Rich Fox, Arnie Wohl, Tim Baldwin, Terry Brady, Bob Ostrom

- **Follow-up Items**

- Follow-up discussion on the Committee's plans to create an official Tournament or Event planning sub-committee. The committee decided to table this idea until our new Tennis Director is in place and has a chance to add his or her input.
- Tennis rules have been officially updated to reflect the committee's changes in April. The
- Amy and Tim related concerns brought to them by Sunil Malkani regarding the rule change adopted by the committee earlier this spring requiring club USTA team captains to be full equity members. Linda Huber had been consulted by Sunil and she confirmed it is not a USTA requirement that a captain be a full equity member of the club the play at. However, this is a club rule and after additional discussion by the committee members, and other attendees, regarding the potential ramifications, looking at both sides of the issue, the committee voted not to overturn its previous decision and maintain this rule... USTA team captains must be full equity members.
- We need to find out from Joel and/or Rick what's left from the \$1200. beverage fund?
- For Next Year's Budget - The canopy between courts 6 & 7 has pin holes in it and needs to be replaced - The light poles and fences will get a fresh coat of paint – Repair gaps at the bottom of the fences, especially court 7.

### **Tennis Director's Report**

- With Joel out this week there have been several issues with the court sign-ups and round robins. All team captains and round robin coordinators should make their court needs known to Elaina and Joel. Several members are also signing up for more than 3 courts and a time. All members are reminded that according to the tennis rules, if you need to sign-up for more than 3 courts, you must get approval from the Tennis Director or the Tennis Committee..

### **Facility Report**

- Court watering – as usual at this dry time of year, we are experiencing court conditions that are too wet, or even flooded, in the morning, but too dry in the afternoon. It seems obvious that we need to explore our options for watering the courts during the day, whether using the Hydro Court system, or by hand. We also need to have someone make sure the nozzles in the Hydro Court system are clean and not getting clogged as they have in previous years.
- Amy will gave us her report on the bi-weekly facility inspections... the following items were added to her list of questions for Joel at next week's inspection;
  - Courts: We need a back up plan for prepping the courts and all the other jobs Norm is scheduled to do daily when he is out due to illness or vacation. Should we talk to Volney or Martin? Can we develop a procedure for the staff to follow when this happens?
  - We need to have the foot washer nozzles cleaned at least weekly.
  - Court 3 floods too often, we need to find out why and fix it. All of the courts are too wet in the morning and too dry in the PM.
  - Fencing: Court 7 fencing is lifted and the balls are going under the fencing.
  - When will the fencing be fixed and painted as per Jeff's agenda?
  - Who will be doing the repairs? Painting of the light poles?
  - When do the Wind screens come down for the summer?
  - We do not want them down until after the Bush Open.
  - Lighting: Have Norm check the lighting on the courts incase they are needed during the Bush Open.
  - The Committee agreed that Courts 7 & 8 will be reserved for Members to play during the Open.

## League & Team Reports

- Terry Brady announced that this fall Gulf Harbour will have its first 70+ USTA team.
- Are all teams registered and rosters complete... has anyone who wants to play on a team been left out this year?
- What's happening with Winnie's effort to create a 40- team?
- Update on Lee County teams

## New Business

- The committee voted unanimously to allocate courts 7 & 8 to member play during the Bush Open tournament which begins June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Arnie Wohl spoke on behalf of our Red A Lee County team and he presented a letter from the director of the Lee County men's league that documents their change in policy that now allows only Red A men's teams to be able to recruit and utilize substitute players, from any Lee County team level. Furthermore, this new Lee County rule includes their approval of recruiting and playing players who are not members of the participating club's. Subject to each club's guest policies, players who are not members of the participating club may play as guests of club members on Red A teams. The committee discussed existing rules regarding guest play, guest policy precedents, and the potential ramifications of endorsing these new policies for our Red A team. The committee voted unanimously to approve Arnie's request for an endorsement of the new Lee County guest-play policies for our Red A team's upcoming season.
- Everyone commended George and Terry for the great work they did running the Saturday Round Robin last week in Joel's absence.
- The search for a new Tennis Director and Head pro is moving along nicely. Rick expects to have his primary candidate available for two members of the tennis committee to meet sometime next week. The committee discussed the importance of letting the new Tennis Director know that the Saturday round robins are a priority to our program. Terry and George volunteered to help the new Tennis Director get to know what we like and help him establish guidelines for running this round robins. Terry and George will take a greater role in doing the round robin pairings this summer.
- Tennis Potluck Dinners Begin June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Harbourside Café (see flyer below)
- Next meeting – October 2<sup>nd</sup> Tell everyone about the 2008-2009 Tennis Event Calendar which is on the bulletin board and on-line at [www.gulpharbour.net/tennis](http://www.gulpharbour.net/tennis)

**Friday  
Night  
Potluck  
Tennis**

**Tennis Play  
Begins at  
5:00pm Dinner  
To Follow  
between  
7:00-7:30**

**Potluck Dinner Hosts & Locations**

**Please Bring You Favorite Foods & Drinks**

**June 20th**

Bill & Marianne Crouch at the Marina Café...  
drinks will be provided by Bill & Marianne.

**July 18th**

Diane Schwab and Winnie Johannes at the  
Harbour Landings Pool.

**August 22<sup>nd</sup>**

At Lili and Alan Canfield's House

**September 12th**

At Pat and Alan Canfield's House

**Watch For The Sign-up Sheets  
Which Will Be Posted On The  
Tennis Bulletin Board**

## Upcoming Events

<b>June</b>	4th	Monthly Tennis Committee and Captains Meeting
	21rd – 27th	Florida “Bush” Open Championships - National Juniors Tournament – 2 courts will be available for members during the tournament.
<b>July</b>	4th	Firecracker Tennis
<b>August</b>	2nd	Labor Day Tennis & Party
<b>October</b>	31st	All comer’s Halloween

### **Tennis Information on-line [www.gulpharbour.net/tennis](http://www.gulpharbour.net/tennis)**

The Tennis 2008 Event Calendar is on-line now, Jeff’s monthly Newsletter, Home match schedules, Lee County league standings, USTA league standings, recent team highlights

## **2008 – 2009 Tennis Calendar**

Month	Date(s)	Event	Food & Beverage Requirements
<b>October</b>	13 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Committee & Captains Meeting 3:00pm	
<b>November</b>	8 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome Back Mixer	<b>F&amp;B breakfast &amp; cooler drinks</b>
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Committee & Captains Meeting 4:00pm	
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Family Night Dinner	<b>Music Entertainment</b>
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Saturday Tennis Team Challenge	
<b>December</b>	12 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Committee & Captains Meeting 3:00am	
<b>January 2009</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Day Round Robin & Lunch	<b>Tiki bar food &amp; drinks</b>
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Tennis Committee & Captains 3:00am	
	5 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Men's & Women's Singles Championships	
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Family Night Dinner	<b>Music Entertainment</b>
<b>February</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tennis Committee & Captains Meeting 5:00pm	
	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Mixed Doubles Tournament (3 Flights)	<b>F&amp;B – golf snack cart visits to courts for picnic box lunches and drinks courtside especially for finals</b>
	TBA	Member's Memorial Tennis Exhibition Open To Guests from Outside Club	
<b>March</b>	4 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Tennis Committee & Captains 3:00pm	
	13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	Men's & Women's Doubles Championships (3) Flights	<b>F&amp;B – golf snack cart visits to courts for picnic box lunches and drinks courtside especially for finals</b>
	15 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Night Dinner	<b>F&amp;B – Music Entertainment</b>
<b>April</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tennis Committee & Captains Meeting 11:00am	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	Davis Cup Tennis Event	
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Tennis Celebration Banquet	<b>F&amp;B – Johnny Brown's and Members Dining Room. Music by Chrisma</b>
<b>May</b>	7 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Committee & Captains Meeting 4:00pm	
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day Tennis Event	<b>F&amp;B Club lunch on pool deck</b>
	Friday night tennis & potluck dinners at private homes will begin from May – September. Times and locations TBA		
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