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PACQUENAC TENNIS CLUB NEWS

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT...

IS IT SPRING YET ? It certainly feels like we have been hibernating long enough but I suspect Mother Nature is not quite done with the cold.

As part of a healthy life-style, did you get out for a walk ? Take some time to relax with a hot chocolate or hot tea. They say laughter is the best medicine....tell a joke to make someone laugh—I bet you you'll have a laugh too.

For those who have paid their dues on time a big THANK YOU ! For those of you who have yet to pay, please do so before MARCH 15th deadline so we don't have to chase you down with a phone call.



Robin

Special Note

We want to welcome Ilya Shragin to the Voting Membership Board. Also, we will miss Don Wain who withdrew from voting membership status after many years of service to the PTC. Best wishes Don.

Trivia Question

What is the most common error committed by club players and WHY ?

PTC 2018 Board & Committee Chairpersons

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DUES ALERT

DUES ARE DUE MARCH 15th.

Late payments will incur a \$30.00 late fee AND a need to re-apply for membership. Re-instatement **IS NOT** guaranteed !

PTC Host Schedule 2018

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|----------------|---------------------|
| March..... | June Rudd |
| April | Robin Allora |
| May | Tom Mathews |
| June | Pasquale Baccarella |
| July | Matt Dondiego |
| August..... | Ilya Shragin |
| September..... | Tom Delleart |
| October | Thor Jorgensen |
| November | Banquet |
| December | Peter Berzins |

This month's board meeting will hosted by June Rudd on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 7:30 PM, at 343 Boulevard, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444

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**PACQUENAC TENNIS CLUB
WOMEN'S 2018 TEAM TENNIS**

Spring tennis will be here shortly. Pacquenac Tennis Club competes in the Northern Lakes Women's Tennis League. The team plays on Monday mornings in May and June. Team members must also be available on Monday afternoons in case matches are rescheduled because of inclement weather. If you are interested in playing on the Women's A Team or being a substitute for the team, please email Helene Scott at helenescott5@gmail.com

**Pacquenac Tennis Club
Tennis Party**

March 3, 2018 - 6 PM - 10 PM
Fairfield Racquet Club
\$20 playing members
Free for non-playing members
Registration closes on February 24
Limited to 48 players
"Pot Luck Plate"
Call June Rudd - 973-632-3815

Checks Payable to Thor Jorgensen
29 Curtis Drive
Lincoln Park, NJ 07035

Coach's Corner:

Basic Rules/ Etiquette of Line-Calls and Other Calls in Social Tennis or Unofficial Matches:

- 1) If the ball is 99.999% out, it is 100% in. But remember, the reverse is always false.
- 2) If a call cannot be made one way or another, the opponent wins the point. Likewise, if one partner in doubles calls the ball "out," and the other calls it "in" or is unsure what to call, the point goes to the opponents. Conversely, if one partner calls "in" and the other "out" or is unsure what to call, the result is still exactly the same.
- 3) Making calls on the other side of the net against yourself --or your team, in doubles-- is acceptable, but it is never proper if made in your favor (self-serving).
- 4) Make the call (either "let" or "out") immediately after the ball hits the ground; otherwise the ball is considered "in-play."
- 5) Voluntary admissions/confessions to any of your own violations, such as double-hits, double-bounces, net-touches, net-reach-overs, and the like, will not land you in jail and are highly encouraged.
- 6) It is "unethical" to make a "let" call as your opponent is about to hit a winner or a put-away shot.
- 7) You can question an "out" call (against you) by asking the opponent to show the mark if on clay. If there is none (e.g., on hard courts), then, as a confirmation, ask "Are you sure?" If the opponent says "Yes, Ma'am, I am," then you must move on. If questionable calls happen too often to your liking, then you can protest (not contest) by saying, for example, "I think that ball was in." or "I beg to differ." And if you want to add a bit of "insult in jest," you can ask: "When was the last time you had your eyes checked?" or "Do you need a seeing-eye dog?" or "Hmm... You don't look like a bat to me at all!" or "You must have been born an 'outie'." However, one should never demand the opponent to reverse an "out" call.
- 8) If you immediately correct an "out" call to "in," the opponent wins the point. It's not a "let" (i.e., a replay).
- 9) If the opponent does not call your serve "out" and successfully returns your serve, you cannot stop playing and ask for a replay just because you think otherwise.
- 10) Last but not least, if you call your opponent's shot "out," and s/he asks for a mark, just point your finger at Mark Kass.

Spring is coming, hope to see everyone at the club soon!!!

Johnathan Le

Trivia Answer

The **Foot Fault** ! Because Club players **RARELY** call this egregious error during club play even though it gives the server an advantage over the opponent !

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