

## Dedicated to the health and enjoyment of SaddleBrooke Residents

### 2015

2015 is the year to make STC the kind of tennis club that you, or any other tennis player, would want to join. This year's objective is to promote quality, enjoyable tennis and a very active social program for our members and potential members. Count on it. STC is going to be an even greater tennis club.

#### STC UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS PLAN TO ATTEND – BRING A GUEST

February 14 --Valentine's Day Party
March 7 -- Tennis Fundraiser Event
Apr 6 -18 STC Club Championships,
April 18 -- Club Championship Awards Party
May 5 Cinco de Mayo Party
July 4 -- Chili Cook Off
September 7 -- Labor Day Tennis Event and Lunch
November 13 Sadie Hawkins Day Event
November Volunteer Appreciation Social

#### VALENTINE'S DAY TENNIS AND LUNCH

December Christmas Dinner Dance

Debbie McGeehan, Ron and Nancy Parker are organizing the 2015 Valentine's Day social. They urge you to join in this first party of the year. Make it fun. Invite non-member guests. This event provides a perfect opportunity for potential new members to experience SCT in action.

Men are to ask their wives, sweethearts or lady friends (often found to be combined into the same person) to be their partners. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board along with a "looking for a partner" list and for food to bring. Court assignments will be sent out to members on Friday, Feb 13th. There will be a \$5 fee for non members.

There will be a potluck brunch to follow on the

patio asking members to bring egg dishes, pastries and fruit. The deadline for signing up to play in this social will be Thursday, Feb 12th by noon.

#### SADDLEBROOKE TENNIS CLUB A COMMUNITY ASSET

Many never stop to realize that STC dues that are contributed by our 400 tennis playing members actually pay for the three coordinators who support tennis activities and court reservations for the entire Saddle-Brooke community. Our coordinators, who are on duty during regular tennis center hours, accept phone calls to answer question about the club, court conditions, arrange the Organized Play program, make court reservations for resident non-members, interact through the STC website, handle club email, and present a friendly face to all who enter.

It is with considerable pride that STC members volunteer to support the SaddleBrooke Grand Children's Day Event. Our volunteers make sure the courts are well maintained and they act as caretakers of nets and windscreens. The HOA's count on us to insure quality tennis for members, non-members, and prospective homeowners. Our club is one of the many good reasons SaddleBrooke is such a successful Robson Community.

STC has hosted the Copper Bowl in which teenage

SADDLEBROOKE TENNIS WELCOMES YOU. COME SHARE IN THE FUN

women from around the nation play highly competitive tennis. Your Board of Directors is contacting the University of Arizona to invite their players to play exhibition matches from time to time. Not only that, we welcome your suggestions to have high level players demonstrate their abilities here at SaddleBrooke.

#### **Gender-Social Team Tennis**

Gender Social Team Tennis returns to STC and the return is so welcome.

On the six Wednesdays from January 28 through March 5 at 2:00 p.m. there will be separate men's and women's team matches with all levels playing. Signup at the Tennis Center or call the coordinators and they will help you.

If you miss the deadline for signup, perhaps there will be a need for a replacement player. (Some of us are old and frail, you know.)

Gender-Social Team Tennis is a great way to join your friends and meet new tennis players. It is a wonderful way to socialize with players whom you may have missed in the past. Team captains will provide a schedule based on your availability times. There will be a meeting to get acquainted with all the players on your team.

Are you Not Yet an STC Member? Your 2015 SaddleBooke Tennis Club (STC) Board of Directors offers a new incentive program for new members and those who are returning after not being a member in 2013 or 2014. To get you started and revved up again, one of our new slate of volunteer pros will give you one free 45-minute lesson for joining. Dues are still only \$80 per person for 2015.

#### 2015 SADDLEBROOKE TENNIS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The STC Championship tournament will be from April 6 through April 18. Watch this newsletter and your email for upcoming announcements. Plan for an exciting event for all levels. Check the STC website for additional information.

#### FREE TENNIS CLINICS

Your board of directors has initiated a program to offer free tennis clinics on Wednesdays. This valuable program is available because of the generous contribution of time and expertise by pro and near pro members of your Teaching Team. Count on a friendly, intense set of instructions that are intended to help you become more proficient at the game.

Your STC-Member Teaching Team is made up of TJ Duffy, Gene McGeehan, John Sochacki, Pat Maurer and Jim Ward.

Thanks, guys.



# FIRST ANNUAL SENIOR MIXED DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

Join us for some outstanding mixed doubles at the Gallery Sports Club (Dove Mountain) on Saturday and Sunday, February 7 and 8. You will be participating in the First Annual Senior Mixed Doubles Tournament. It is going to be a special way to meet players from the Gallery Tennis Club.

There are some conditions to be met for this first annual event. First, we must fill out the entry forms right away. The forms are in the STC office. The forms must arrive at The Gallery Club by January 30 at 5:00 p.m. The entry fee will be \$10 per player.

Now, get this. Players must be at least 50 years old. There will be two divisions based on NTRP ratings. The divisions are 6.0 - 7.5 and 8.0 - 9.5. If you do not have a NTRP rating, you may self-rate. So get your own partner, sign up, and depend on a guaranteed minimum of 3 pro sets 8 games each.

Naturally there will be awards for first and second place in each division. Hmmm. What could we win?

Okay, let's get ready for what will be the first STC destination tennis event.

Saturday and Sunday, February 7 & 8
Fill out the entry form right away in the
Tennis office at the STC Tennis Center
Entry forms due at the Gallery by
January 30 at 5:00 p.m.
Get your own partner to total rating of
6.0 - 7.5 or $8.0 - 9.5$
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# ATTEND THE STC TENNIS AND SOCIAL EVENTS THIS YEAR.

These events are a wonderful way to enjoy the benefits of belonging to STC. The board wants you to invite guests and potential new members to experience STC at its best. We want potential members to engage in our tennis and social activities as often as possible to expose the delightful times they can look forward to as new members.

You will be welcome and entertained. Count on STC as the place to be for tennis and fun social events.



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