

St. Petersburg Country Club

# The Clubber NEWSLETTER

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In 1987, a young St. Petersburg native who recently finished an impressive run on the professional tennis circuit applied for the vacant position of Head Tennis Professional at St. Petersburg Country Club. That St. Pete native is none other than Sam Vuille and 30 years later, the tennis complex at SPCC is named in his honor. After three decades of service to the Club and the local tennis community, Sam has decided to retire. We cannot thank Sam enough for his many years of dedicated service to SPCC and wish him all the best while he begins to enjoy his much deserved retirement years.

Sam's remarkable accomplishments during his playing days are too many to list, but I cannot refrain from mentioning some of them. Sam has played at the highest level of professional tennis, competing at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open. During his junior years, Sam won several Florida State Championships and is one of only two players in history to hold the #1 ranking in all four junior age divisions. Representing Lakewood High School, Sam won the Florida State High School Championship in 1972. From there, Sam went on to the University of Alabama where he led the Crimson Tide Tennis Team to the... (See SAM VUILLE on page 5)



#### Welcome 1

# Welcome New Members

AARON DACOSTA GRANT SANDQUIST ERICH & JANET EICHINGER DEBBIE VASS JOANN SUYES

## Board of Governors

Mike Kiernan—President
Richard Hope—Vice-President
Tony Gurley—Treasurer
Troy Holland—Secretary
Phil Apple
Al Ionson
Mike Robson
Robert Seel
Scott Zaccaria

## Guest Fees

All Fees Listed Below are Per Guest & Apply to all non-members visiting the club with a member

Pool: \$5 Fitness: \$10 Tennis: \$10 Cards: \$5

GOLF

Monday through Friday: \$36 Saturday, and Sunday: \$46 Daily After 2pm: \$34

## CLUB MANAGEMENT

Joe Brooks	General Manager	x311
Terry Decker	Golf Professional	x302
Ryan Franklin	Greens	x326
	Superintendent	
Sam Vuille	Tennis Professional	x316
Kristal Cohen	Office Manager	x325
Robert Gruver	Chef	x315

## Hours of Operation

**GOLF** 

Pro Shop: 7:00am - 6:00pm • Tee Times: 7:30am - 6:00pm Range: 7:00am - 6:00pm

**TENNIS** 

Monday-Friday: 8:00am - 12:00pm & 3:00pm - 7:00pm Saturday & Sunday: 8:00am - 1:00pm

Although the Pro Shop will not be open, member play will be permitted on weekdays from 12:00 - 3:00pm and on weekends after 1:00pm.

DINING & GRILL ROOMS

Saturday Breakfast: Served from 7:00 - 11:00am Sunday Breakfast: Served from 8:00am - 12:00pm Lunch: Available Tuesday—Sunday: 11:00am - 3:00pm Dinner: Wednesday & Friday Evenings: 5:30 - 9:00pm

Grill Room Bar: Monday: Closed Tuesday & Thursday: 11:00am -7:00pm Wednesday & Friday: 11:00am -9:00pm Saturday & Sunday: 11:00am -7:00pm

Snack Ten: Located on the 10th Tee, daily 8:30am - 4:30pm

Pool Hours: Monday 6:30am - 6:00pm Tuesday & Thursday 6:30am - 7:00 pm Wednesday & Friday 6:30am - 9:00 pm Saturday & Sunday 6:30am - 7:00 pm

Tiki Hut Hours: Monday: 12:00 - 6:00pm Tuesday & Thursday: 3:00 - 7:00pm Wednesday & Friday: 3:00 - 9:00pm Saturday & Sunday: 12:00 - 7:00pm \*\*Weather Permitting



## 2 Membership

## General Manager's Memo

We are very pleased with the capital projects throughout the summer. The roof, air conditioning and the walls in the dining room are all complete. We will have new chairs and bar stools in the grill room in the near future. Clubhouse irrigation and landscaping have begun and we look forward to a new look around the club house grounds.

As we wind down the summer and start to prepare for the fall season, please reach out to me for all your banquet needs. The ballroom looks great with the new chairs and other upgrades. We do have private rooms that can hold any amount of guests in your party. It is not too early to reserve space for holiday events.

We would like to give a special "Thanks" to the swim team parents that volunteered so much time to the swim team program. It was great to see a huge turnout for the swim meets and the cookouts. Also, we would like to thank our coaches, Rachel Fahad and Kahil Holmes for all the time they spent with the team.

Please feel free to call me or email me for any needs here at the club.

Joe Brooks Joebrooks@stpetecountryclub.com

## Club Membership Anniversaries

Kradle, Gary & Judy	37 Years
Wharton, Robert	37 Years
Duncan, Jim & D.K.	35 Years
Helgeson, Guy	22 Years
Clement, Sheryl	18 Years
Gaylor, Pam & Frank	17 Years
Bernhein, Irv & Kathy	12 Years
Davis, Jeff	11 Years
Girouard, George	4 Years
Scott, Terri	4 Years
Rios, Art	2 Years
Ayanian, John & Abbey	1 Year
Churchwell, Katie & Logan	1 Year
Lee, Mark	1 Year
Waked, Shawn	1 Year

## Happy Birthday

Alvarez, Suzanne Bauerlein, E.J. Bernheim, Irv Briggs, Paula Broom, Valerie Busch, Marjorie Butterworth, Thomas Byelick, Robert Carney, Sandra Chester, Lisa Clayton, Joan Conley, Gwendoline Crow, Douglas Diaz, Ernesto Douglass, Robert Engelbright, Lauren Francis, Annie Fronduto, Elizabeth Gariboldi, Jim Geiger, Stephen Gonthier, Reggie Hagner, Marcie Hall, Derek Hartpence, Daniel Hayes, Edward Herzog, Mary Hess. Linda Hewitt, Brock Hoffman, Linda Holbrook, Jim Howe, Cliff Hughes, Richard Hunter, Craig Ionson, Al Joy, Douglas Kaleel, William Kiernan, Joan Kim, Jung Kistner, Frank Klette, Doug Lamb, James LaPrade, Patricia

Malnar, Jim Maurer, Dan Milkey, Jeanne Mitchell, Stephanie Muzzy, Richard Newbery, David O'Dor, Geno O'Dowd, Douglas Pace, Fred Pastman, Sara Petren, Patricia Pokorny, Donald Poole, Suzanne Posch, Jacob Ratledge, Jerry Reed, Brian Rios, Sharon Risser, Phares Sadiki, Bahiyyah Salter, Brad Sauers, Celia Schmid, Kevin Selden, Daniel Simard, Peter Smith, Michael Sorensen, Jacob Stark, William Stephens, Rosemary Summers, Daniel Suprenand, Lisa Sylvester, Ronald T Thompson, Betty Toll, Jennifer Torrisi, Victor Trimble, Ken Van Sickle, Krisit Villoria, Mark Willis, Elijah Wilson, Dolores Winter, Mary Zayas, Kathy





EVERY FRIDAY
4:00 to 7:00pm
Grill Room & Tiki Hut

#### 2 for 1 Drinks

(Well Brand, House Wine & Draft Beer only. Drafts at the Tiki Hut Not Included)

## \$5 Appetizer Specials

(Please note that happy hour specials are for dine in only and not take out)



5:30 to 9:00 PM

Friday, August 11th • \$12.95 Your Choice of Entrée: Fried Chicken Liver & Onions Yankee Pot Rost

Friday, August 25th • 12.95

Your Choice of Entrée:
Fried Chicken
Beef Stew
Boneless Sugar Brined Pork Chop

ALL ENTREES are served with our Deluxe Salad Bar, Rolls, Potatoes & Veggies



#### A LA CARTE DINNER SPECIALS

Our Full Menu is also available 5:30 to 9:00pm

Friday, August 4th

Pan Fried Red Grouper • \$24.00
Fresh from the gulf and topped with a blue crab
sherry cream sauce

Beef Stroganoff • \$16.00

Tender beef tips braised in a white wine beef stock with mushrooms, onions, sour cream and egg noodles

Almond Chicken Salad • \$12.00
Fried almond crusted chicken breast over mixed greens with mandarin oranges, strawberry, water chesnuts and red grapes

#### Friday, August 18th

Salmon Rockefeller • \$18.00 Pan seared Atlantic salmon fillet topped with spinach, bacon, parmesan cheese cream sauce

Shrimp & Grits • \$16.00

Sauteed Key West pink shrimp with smokehouse bacon, green onion, tomato, smoked gouda
cheese and creamy grits

Artichoke & Hearts of Palm Salad • \$12.00 Mixed greens topped with artichokes, hearts of palm, blue cheese crumbles, bacon, tomato, cucumber, red onion and carrot



4 DINING

## Wednesday Night Family Buffet

 $5:30 \text{ to } 9:00\text{pm} \bullet \$9.95 \text{ per adult } \& \$4.95 \text{ per child}$ 

## Taste of Ireland AUGUST 2ND

Cottage Pie
Lamb & Potato Stew
Parsley Red Potatoes
Peas & Carrots
Buttered Corn
House Salad with toppings
Guinness & Cheddar Soup
Irish Cheesecake &
Assorted Desserts

## Taste of Germany

Sauerbraten
Pork Schnitzel
Braised Red Cabbage & Apples
Warm German Potato Salad
Warm Pretzels & Three Mustards
House Salad with Toppings
German Cake & Assorted Desserts

## All American Buffet August 16th

Chicken Fingers with dipping sauces
Hot Dogs
Hamburgers
Macaroni Salad
Evercrisp French Fries
Mixed Vegetables
Chicken Noodle Soup
Apple Cobbler & Assorted Desserts

## Little Lady Buffet AUGUST 23RD

Pepperoni Pizza
Cheese Pizza
Baked Ziti with ricotta
Eggplant Parmesan
Roasted Zucchini, Onion & Tomato
House Salad with Italian Toppings
Italian Wedding Soup
Garlic Breadsticks
Tiramisu & Assorted Desserts

Country Fried Steak with milk gravy
Pulled Pork Shoulder with slider buns
Braised Collard Greens
Buttered Succotash
Cheddar Grits
Roasted Potatoes
Colleslaw
Cornbread
Peach Cobbler &
Pecan Pie





Our former participants have recorded just 1 win on the PGA Tour so far this year, that by Jason Dufner (1999) at the Memorial in June. He currently has the highest standing among New Year's alums in the season-long FedEx Cup competition with only Luke List (2004-2006) and Brandt Snedeker (2000-2004) joining him inside the top 50. Others currently inside the all-important top 125 include Bud Cauley (2008), Jonathan Randolph(2009), Dominic Bozzelli (2011-2013), JB Holmes (2002-2005) and Brandon Hagy (2011-2012).





New Year's alums have earned 4 victories on the Web.com Tour this year, led by Stephan Jaeger (2012) whose 2 wins have him currently leading the Web-com order of merit. Adam Schenk (2012-2014) and Lanto Griffin (2008-2009) have also notched victories and are currently on track to win PGA Tour cards at season's end. On a given week, as many as 25 former New Year's players can be found one or the other of these tours.

Also recognizing a current New Year's player, Cristian DiMarco, for his win in this year's Florida State Amateur. Cristian, son of PGA Tour winner Chris, has played the last 2 events here and we expect him to return this coming January.

The 92nd Invitational will be held January 4-7, 2018.

## ... Sam Vuille

(Continued from Page 1) SEC Championship for the first time in school history. In 2007, Sam was inducted into the Florida Tennis Hall of Fame.

Sam has spent countless hours teaching tennis to men, women and children of all levels of ability. In addition to his contributions to the Club throughout the year, Sam works tirelessly as the Tournament Director of the Raymond James Super Senior Gran Prix, one of the premier events on the USTA National Category II Circuit.

Sam is currently working with Club management to determine the timeframe for his official retirement date, which will be sometime between now and the end of the year. And of course, we'll make sure Sam goes out in style. Plans for a party to celebrate all of his accomplishments at SPCC are in the making. Details will emerge in the near future.

In the meantime, please join me in thanking Sam for all his dedication to the Club over the last thirty years.



# The Petersburg Towntry Club

### 6 TENNIS TALK



## Tennis Talk

Although we've had a lot of rain, at least we haven't had a hurricane, but knock on wood.

Is anyone going to the U.S. Open? Will Roger win his 3rd slam of the year? It once again will have a lot of drama.

We had a nice sign up for the 4th of July Mixer with 32 players participating and a fun time was had by all. We split up into 4 teams and played team tennis. The 4 teams were the Freedom Fighters, the Sons of Liberty, the Yankees and the Minutemen. The Minutemen came first with 62 games. Playing for the Minutemen were Jason Saposnik, Brant & Annie Bailey, Bill & Trudy Zink, Suzanne & Jorge Alvarez, and Don Taylor.

If you would like to receive my court condition emails or the evite event reminders, email or call me with your email address. My email address is: spectennis@aol.com. The shop phone number is 727-867-9105.

The Labor Day Mixer will be Monday, Sept. 4 at 9:00 A.M. You may sign up individually.

Please sign up your guests before taking the court. A guest is allowed one time per month.

Hang in there! The nice weather is only about two months away. In the meantime keep your eye on the ball, follow through and drink lots of water.

See you on the courts, Sam

## Tennis Schedule

#### WEEKLY

Tuesday and Friday: 9:00 AM Men's Doubles, sign up in the pro shop or show up by 9:00

Tuesday and Friday Lakettes: Sign up in tennis shop for every Tuesday and Friday.

Saturdays: 8:30 AM ProWarm Up followed by organized Doubles Play. Just show up by 9:00 if you miss the clinic.

#### DAILY

Private lessons and clinics with Sam Vuille, Liz Schroeder, Gary Collins and Leon Richards. Call for an appointment.

#### LEAGUE INFORMATION

Satellite League Women: Plays every Tuesday September until April. South Pinellas Ladies League: Starts September 20, every Wednesday until April

#### SOCIAL

Labor Day Mixer, Monday, September 4, 9:00 A.M.

#### Thinking About Selling? Selling your home in a way that will attract the best price within your desired time frame requires a comprehensive marketing plan. My proven strategies get your home sold fast at the best possible price. Proud SPCC Mem Kent Rodahaver Contact me for a personal, no Certified Luxury Property Specialist obligation consultation on your home's value and to learn more 727-301-7300 how we can develop a successful KentRodahaverRealtor.com custom marketing plan. Facebook.com/RealtorKent

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# Golf News

The 2017 Men's Member-Guest will be **November 9, 10, & 11.** Entries will open September 1st. Last year we had our best turnout in years, nearly a full field of 48 teams. Since the field is limited to the first 48 teams, please be sure to submit your entry form as close to September 1st as possible.

The 2017 Ladies' Member-Guest will be **Tuesday**, **November 7th** with a 9:00 am shotgun start. The practice round is Monday, November 6th at 1:00 pm. Make plans now and join the fun!!



**NOTICE:** All participants must have a verifiable USGA handicap through a recognized system: Golfnet, GHIN, or the Canadian handicap system for the November Member-Guest. Golfers can obtain and maintain their handicap at most municipal or public golf courses for an annual fee. A quota will not qualify for a verified handicap. Players without a handicap will play at scratch.



Member-Guest entry cards will be sent out with the September club mailing. The first 48 entries received will be entered in the event; the remaining entries will go on a waiting list.

Our second greens aerification is scheduled for Monday, August 21st.

We have added a new set of tees a combination of Red/Green. Play of this tee will go into effect when we receive our new scorecards in August. All of our tees are named by color;

the tee you should play is the tee where you are most comfortable with after your tee shot. If you are hitting woods for your second shot on all par fours you may want to move up a tee. We have no rules for age, gender or ability for any of the tees, although the tees are rated different for gender for handicap purposes. The only requirement is that you pick a set of tees to play and stay there until it is time to move up again. Bouncing back and forth between tees is not permitted. Your handicap is established from a specific tee and you should play that tee.

COURSE RATINGS:
Blue - 73.7/137
Blue/White - 72.0/135
White - 71.1/132
Gold/White - 69.0/128
Gold - 68.1/125
Red - 70.9/123
Red/Green - 68.6/122
Green - 68.1/119

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3-5. Players Competing from Different Tees or Men and Women from Same Tees a. Different Tees: Men vs. Men; Women vs. Women; Women vs. Men

Different tees usually have different Ratings. Because a *USGA Course Rating* reflects the probable score of a *scratch golfer*, the higher-rated course is more difficult, and the player playing from the set of tees with the higher *USGA Course Rating* receives additional stroke(s) equal to the difference between each *USGA Course Rating*, with .5 or greater rounded upward. The additional stroke(s) are added to the *Course Handicap* of the player playing from the higher-rated set of tees. (See Decision 3-5/1.)

**EXAMPLE 1:** If men playing from the middle tees where the men's *USGA Course Rating* is 70.3 compete against men playing from the back tees where the men's *USGA Course* 

**Rating** is 72.6, the men playing from the back tees will add two strokes (72.6 - 70.3 = 2.3 rounded to 2) to their **Course Handicap**.

**EXAMPLE 2:** If women playing from the forward tees from which the women's *USGA Course Rating* is 73.4 compete against men playing from the middle tees from which the men's *USGA Course Rating* is 70.9, the women will add three strokes (73.4 - 70.9 = 2.5 rounded to 3) to their *Course Handicap*.

## EXAMPLE: SECTION 3-5 PROMOTING EQUITABLE COMPETITION

[	Gary Gold Tees 10.4 130 12 +71.1 83	vs.  Handicap Index Slope Rating Course Handicap USGA Course Rating Target Score	Bob Blue Tees 10.4 140 13 +73.2 86
	83	Target Score (minus)	86
	<u>-12</u> <u>=71</u>	Course Handicap (adjusted for Section 3-5) = Net Score	<u>- 15</u> =71







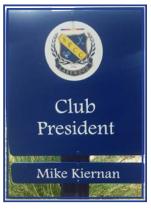


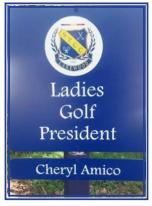
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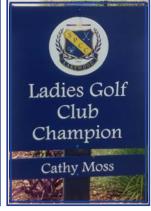
A special thanks to SPCC member Mike Riggins for donating the parking lot signs to the Club as can be seen in the photos above and below. Mike's company, Riggins Associates, performs a variety of options for signs, awnings and graphics and can be reached at 727-709-0061 if you have any need for this scope of work.













SPCC WGA
MEMBER/GUEST
NOVEMBER 6TH & 7TH

"Fore the Love of Golf"
Wear Your Lucky Golf Outfit!

## WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION RESULTS

Low Net - June 27,2017 Judy Preston 71

SPRING SCRAMBLE - JULY 11, 2017
Cathy Moss 65

Nany Swarts
Mary Lou Porter

BIRDIES
Cathy Moss #7 & #17





# Huguet 1

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Tiki Hut 12-7 pm Grill Room Bar 11-7 pm Lunch 11-3 pm

Grill Room Bar 12-6 pm

Lunch 11-3 pm Grill Room Bar 11-7 pm

Tiki Hut 3-9 pm 5:30-9:00 pm

Grill Room Bar 11-7 pm SUNDOWNERS

