



# What's the Racquet?

INFO ON EVENTS, PLAYERS, AND OVERALL FUN STUFF HAPPENING AT ROGER SCOTT

G'day Mates.....Summer is here! When we did the last newsletter in January our courts were frozen over, and now the soles of our shoes are beginning to melt into the courts! So much has changed in the last three to four months. Our beautiful new hard courts are finished and are being utilized like never before. It's amazing to see so many smiling faces together on the courts. Our front desk staff was getting lonely over here at the shop by themselves, and now they are swamped! The city just finished putting up shade structures around courts 1 and 7... now time for some on the courts!! Thank you EVERYONE for your patience during construction, but it sure is beautiful to play tennis without the asphalt literally falling out from underneath your feet.

## WINNING

**GPLTL** – We had three champions take home the crown from their flights this Spring season. Team Goyins took home the title on Flight 1 and will be moving on up to the big, bad OPEN flight! Rumor has it they have some ex-WTA players joining their team.... Team McGhee won Flight 4 and left the courts in style with a stretch Limo! No telling what they got up to after that.... Team Young won flight 8 and will be sliding up to flight 7. Watch out flight 7 – these ladies have been practicing and mean BUSINESS!

**UTH** – Team Whittenberger got the best of their foes this season in UTH. Like always the victors had a smug look on their face at Chow Tyme as they stared down at their pawns from the “Champions Only” table. A lot of grumbings from their opponents about rainouts and line calls, but who am I to judge!

**USTA** – Team Haigler won the 55+ women's 6.0 Florida sectionals a few months back. Pensacola tennis always represents well down in Orlando but taking home the state championship is another animal. Way to go CHAMPS!

**High School** – Catholic High girls won their region and advanced to states. They won their first match as a team but didn't quite pull out the semifinal match. Gabby Goyins did win her match and went on to win the State title! Quite an incredible achievement! The boys came up just short in the regional final after winning districts and their first regional match. Sarah McElrath who trains at Roger Scott also won the doubles state title for Gulf Breeze with her partner Ella Goodwin. WAY TO GO JUNIORS!

## MEMBERSHIPS/PRICING

Yes, the big bad pricing wolf came to town! The prices have not been raised in 8 years, and we all know the world has gotten more expensive as it tends to do with time. The quarterly pricing increased the most percentage wise, while yearlong memberships had a smaller increase.

## TOURNAMENTS/EVENTS

The \$25k pro futures again brought some amazing talent from all around the world. If you didn't make it this year, definitely put it on the calendar to attend this free event next year. We have an “Aces for Animals” mixer coming up on June 14. Also be on the lookout for our “Mixed Troubles” Wimbledon themed event the beginning of July.

## NEW PROS

As most of you have probably noticed, we have some new (and familiar) faces around the courts. We are THRILLED to have Allison Pfeifler, George Cobia, and Manon Meulenberg join our coaching staff. I truly believe we have the best and most well-rounded staff in the ENTIRE COUNTRY. We pride ourselves on being able to offer lessons to players of all ages and skill levels.

As we roll full speed into summer, just make sure we are being smart and listening to our bodies. Water isn't always enough. Drink your electrolytes, eat some food, and find some shade! As a married man of two months (who has only spent three nights on the couch so far), make sure to get some good sleep before a day on the courts!

**Brock**