



## What's the Racquet?!

**A LITTLE INFO ABOUT EVENTS, PLAYERS, PRO TIPS,  
AND OVERALL FUN STUFF HAPPENING AT ROGER SCOTT**

### G'DAY MATES!

It is November and we are starting to get some of that cooler weather, so if you have been complaining it has been too hot for tennis, now is your time to shine! Since the last letter Hurricane Sally left her wrath on our beautiful community. I hope that all of you that had setbacks with the storm are getting back on your feet. I appreciate all your patience as the clay courts were down due to the storm. I promise we got them up and running as quickly as possible. We are still awaiting FEMA's help with the sidewalk and courts 19/20. I did keep a personal list of players who "CANNOT PLAY ON HARD COURTS!" Many of you managed to play on them for a month!! The human body is an amazing thing!

I want to thank everyone who volunteered to help with the cleanup. There was quite the mess up here and we COULD NOT have cleaned it up and opened as quickly without your help. We have an incredible tennis community, and it shows its true colors when our backs are against the wall. Again, from the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU!!

We had our first tournament up here since the pandemic and it was amazing! I hope all of you that played in the "Bud Light Charity Challenge" had a great time and managed to squeak out a few wins. If you went 0-5 that is okay, because there were plenty of adult beverages to help you cope with the pain. We also just had our "Halloween Mixer" with over 60 people playing, eating, drinking, and dressed to the nines! There were some incredible costumes and thank you to all who participated. Big shout out to Maggie Lochas who cooked up some incredible food for everyone to enjoy.

Congrats to all our teams that won their local USTA leagues and made trips down to sectionals in Orlando. Whether you win the title or not, it is a great experience and always fun to play new competition.

### Humanities of West Florida

We will be hosting a "Shoe Drive" benefitting the Alfred-Washburn Homeless Day Care Center. They are taking socks, shoes, and "kindly used" winter apparel. I am sure brand new is fine too - anything helps! We have a donation box located in the lobby. 'Tis the season for giving!

## TENNIS NEWS

### New Faces

I'm excited to announce we have hired a new tennis professional! Sierra Nellen has joined our staff and we could not be more thrilled to have her. She played Division I tennis for Northern Kentucky University and grew up in the great state of OHIOOOOOOO! She has extensive teaching experience throughout Kentucky and Ohio. If you see her around the grounds make sure to say "hi" and show her some good southern hospitality!



### Tournaments

We have our Clay Court City Championships November 20-22. This is a "flighted" tournament where your groups are matched based on your level of play. It is a ton of fun and of course we will have all the "fixins" of food and drinks. For those singles specialists out there your first match would most likely be Friday late afternoon. Doubles will start Saturday morning. You can sign-up on our website at [www.rogerscotttennis.com](http://www.rogerscotttennis.com) – We hope to see you out there!

We will be hosting the Super Baehr Bowl Mixer on Friday, November 20th. This will be on the hard courts because the city championships will be taking place on the clay courts. Scott Baehr was a staple of Pensacola's tennis community, so come out to celebrate Scott's life and enjoy some tennis.

### New Clinic—TENNIS 101

We will be offering a different type of ladies clinic on Monday nights. TENNIS 101 – this is for players who are new to the game, have taken a few beginner classes, but aren't quite ready for match play and our regular ladies clinic. It will be a lot of fun and will get you ready for the big leagues. Money back guarantee if you don't improve! \*\*\*\*Certain restrictions may apply\*\*\*\* I feel like that's what the big companies say when they do these money back guarantees.....

As always, Thank you for reading. Linsley has been getting upset with me for all the free lessons I've been giving away on the past three newsletters, so I will cut him a break this time.

Brock