



THE RACQUET CLUB

Review



A QUARTERLY PUBLICATION FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE RACQUET CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA

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FUN FACTS

Did you know that there is a strategic shot in squash that is named after the city of Philadelphia? Commonly referred to as “Philadelphia” or “Corkscrew”, this shot is played diagonally upwards into the front corner hitting the front wall first and then the side wall. The ball then lobs over the court with significant spin. Ideally, it hits the opposite side wall at the back and travels parallel to the rear wall making a return very difficult. This shot is a favorite in exhibition squash but is susceptible to being volleyed.

Did you know that James Potter, the Club’s 4th President from 1897 – 1911, once dove into the pool on the 3rd floor...when it was empty!? Mr. Potter miraculously survived the incident and lived to tell of his blunder.



Who should I contact to...

... book a court or ask questions regarding an athletics charge? Contact the Pro Shop at courts@rcop.com or 215-772-1545.

... make a reservation in the Gold Leaf Café or 1889 Pub & Grille? Contact reservations@rcop.com.

... RSVP for a Club event? Contact events@rcop.com.

... question a food and beverage or event charge? Contact Katelynn Zaccaria at events@rcop.com.

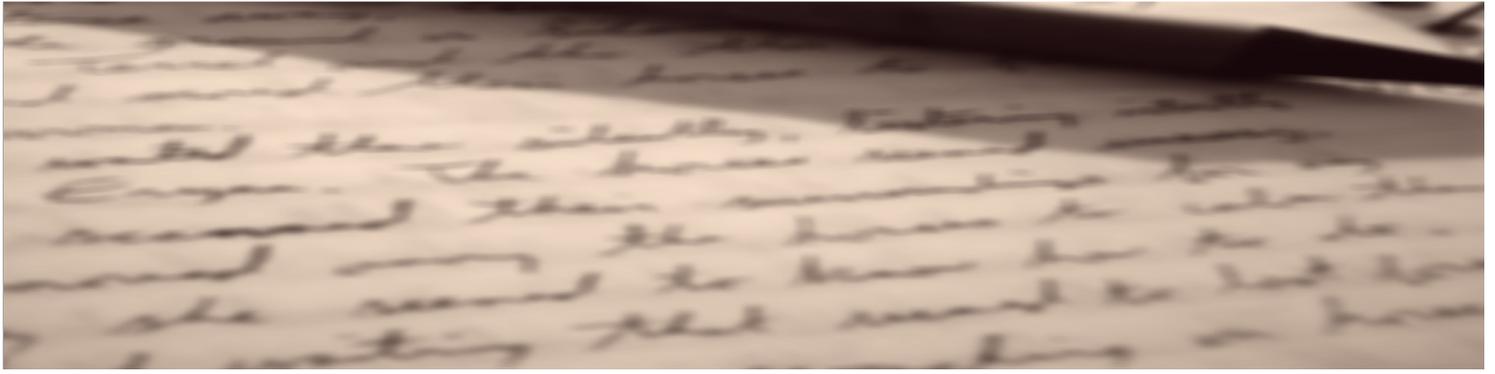
... question a dues or assessment bill? Contact Donna Carr at donna@rcop.com.

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... request a Letter of Introduction for a reciprocal club? Contact the Front Desk at frontdesk@rcop.com.

... sponsor a new member or ask questions about membership? Contact Dave Wright at dave@rcop.com.

... report a facilities issue? Contact Derik Comalli derik@rcop.com.



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dear Racquet Club Members,

It is with great excitement that I write to you from our inaugural quarterly publication, aptly titled *The Racquet Club Review*. It has been several years since the Club has issued a newsletter and thanks to our talented personnel, we have been able to rejuvenate a more modern publication. I would like to thank Club member Sydney Waldron and staff member Brittany Lawrence for taking the time to design the template for this great periodical. I think that it looks fantastic and I hope that our members will agree.

In this maiden voyage of *The Racquet Club Review*, we lay the foundation for future newsletters. This edition includes a Member Spotlight, a recap of events that occurred during Q1, a look ahead to future events, and employee of the month winners. We are quite thrilled to offer this new channel of communication to our membership and since this is our first shot at a newsletter in several years, we would like to hear what you think of it. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or criticisms, feel free to contact Club management who will be happy to receive your feedback.

Although the athletic season is coming to a close on May 12th with the Games Dinner, the summer is just heating up. We have the Summer Kickoff Happy Hour coming up on May 25th and an Italian themed Supper Club dinner on June 12th. I know that we'll have a great turnout for both events and I look forward to meeting new summer members and socializing with familiar long-time members.

I truly hope that you enjoy this publication and I look forward to writing to you again in July where I will be able to offer an update on the squash court project and the Club's non-profit Fund.

Sincerely,

Ed Seglias
President



The Racquet Club of Philadelphia

2016 Summer Membership

May 25 - Sept 5

\$425 per person

The summer membership offers your friends over three months of full membership.

That's a lot of quality time to spend with them at the bar. This time the drinks are on them.

SUMMER MEMBERS HAVE ACCESS TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

WEDNESDAY SUMMER HAPPY HOURS
SMALL GROUP/THEME DINNERS
GOLD LEAF CAFE
1889 PUB & GRILLE
BUSINESS CENTER
OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS
BARBER SHOP
COMPLIMENTARY CLINICS
Squash - Court Tennis - Racquets
DRESSING ROOM PRIVILEGES
SWIMMING POOL
FITNESS CENTER / CLASSES
SAUNA / STEAM ROOM
BACKGAMMON / BILLIARDS / DARTS
DISCOUNTED PARKING
ACCESS TO 200+ WORLDWIDE RECIPROCAL CLUBS

Applications can be downloaded from our website and are available at The Front Desk. Proposing letters can be emailed to club Membership Development Coordinator, Dave Wright at dave@rcop.com



Welcome

NEW MEMBERS

OCTOBER 2015

Caroline Barnhart

Nathaniel Barrett

Michael Courtney

Andrew Gordon

Lauren Krumeich

James McConnel

E. Barclay Nihill

Carolos Rice*

Michael Sulewski

Darby Sullivan

Adip Thathy

Cade Tompkins

NOVEMBER 2015

Joan Flanigan

Emily Hepburn*

Matthew Hepburn*

Lynn Karoly*

Elizabeth Kern

John Maine

Sam Rohr

Timothy Safford*

Faith Sykes

DECEMBER 2015

Michael Barton

Andrew Dick

Annette Gara

Dr. Michael Greenbaum

Thomas Marshall

Emily Morano

Matt Morano

Alexander Nagy*

Carolyn Nagy*

Christopher Rubinate

Susan Smith

Kevin Yang

Wayne Zukin

JANUARY 2016

James Brodie*

Jason Stanley

FEBRUARY 2016

P. McLane Daniel

Amy Ryan

Mark Ryan

Frank DeSimone

Lindsay Morris

Madeleine Tierney

MARCH 2016

Timothy Blomfield

Mark Naples

Jason Neer

* = Reinstatement

In Memoriam

Lewis S. Allen

George T. Corrigan Sr.

Joseph Gordon

Stanton Moyer

Edward M. Noll

Richard Harrison Gwinn

John Davenport Maine Jr.

James Carter Schaub

DINING



Gold Leaf Café

The Gold Leaf Café has undergone many changes over the last six months, including the addition of a full service bar, La Colombe Coffee, and a lounge area to sit and relax. We have also added Saturday brunch throughout the athletic season featuring bottomless bloody marys and mimosas along with a breakfast and lunch menu.

HOURS:

Monday through Friday: 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Saturday Brunch (October through April): 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

TAKEOUT ORDERS:

Call 215-772-1574 during service hours or in advance by contacting Katelynn Zaccaria at katelynn@rcop.com.

PRIVATE EVENT RENTALS:

Contact Brittany Lawrence at brittany@rcop.com.



RCOP RECIPE: Crème Brûlée

Ingredients:

- 1 Quart Heavy Cream
- 13 Egg Yolks
- 2 Cups Sugar, divided
- 2 Vanilla Beans
- Sugar for Brulee as needed



Directions:

1. Bring Sugar, Heavy Cream, and Vanilla to a simmer
2. Whisk Yolks with Sugar until pale yellow and ribbon-like
3. Temper the heavy cream mixture slowly into the yolks while whisking
4. Pass through a strainer
5. Pour into porcelain ramekins and cover with plastic wrap then tinfoil. Place in a water bath 3/4 up the side (do not submerge).
6. Cook at 275 degrees until set, approximately 35 minutes.
7. When cooled sprinkle a thin layer of sugar over the top and torch until golden brown. Move torch in a circular motion starting further away and getting closer until the desired brown-ness is achieved.
8. Enjoy!

1889 Pub & Grille

Fare to Pair Happy Hour

The "Fare to Pair" Happy Hour is offered Monday through Friday from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Our happy hour menu features select beer, wine and cocktail specials accompanied by a complimentary small plate perfectly designed to pair with your beverage. Feeling peckish? Order any of our small plates for just \$4 each.

Tuesdays Uncorked

Members dining at the 1889 Pub on Tuesday evenings are invited to bring their own bottle (wine only) with a \$10 corkage fee per bottle.

Nightly Menu

The new Spring Menu is available in the Pub and features such items as carnitas tacos, seared Brussels sprouts, fish and chips, eggplant parmesan, and more!

1889 PUB & GRILLE HOURS:

Monday through Friday: 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

(kitchen closes at 10:00 pm)

FARE TO PAIR

Happy Hour

BEERS

Pilsner Urquell \$6

Czech Pilsner 4.4% ABV
Avocado & Grapefruit on a
Tortilla Crisp

Saison Dupont \$8

Belgian, 6.5% ABV
Fried Goat Cheese with
Coriander Pickled Beet

WINES

La Cana Albarino \$10

DO Rias Baixas, Spain 2014
Scallop Ceviche with
Persimmon & Cilantro

Sonoma Hills Pinot Noir \$12

Russian River, California 2011
Mini Meatballs

Pizzolato Prosecco \$12

Treviso, Italy NV
Certified Organic, Non-GMO
West Coast Oyster with
Pickled Shallots

COCKTAILS

White Sour \$12

Pineapple, Sage, White Whiskey,
Egg Whites & Lemon

Pork Belly topped with
Arugula Salad & Reggiano

Fujian View \$12

Lychee, Orange, Plymouth Gin,
Green Tea

Fresh Crudo with Limes

Tropical Storm \$12

Mango, Bacardi Oakheart, Apple
Brandy

Open Faced Short Rib Slider
with Fresh Lemon Horseradish

Fare to Pair Happy Hour is every
Monday-Friday, 5-7 pm
Drinks from this menu are
accompanied by complimentary
small bites of food, designed to pair
perfectly with your drink.

Make it a double! Order a double
portion of your bite for an
additional \$4 or order any bites off
of the menu for \$4 per item.



SPRING CLUB EVENTS



April
27

Annual Meeting

6:00 pm - Main Dining Room

No cost to attend

All Racquet Club Members are invited to attend this year's annual meeting on the Club's year in review. Enjoy complimentary cocktails and hors d'oeuvres after the meeting.

April
29

Young Member Fiesta Night

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm - Reading Room

\$35 plus tax and service fee

Join Racquet Club Young Members for a taco and margarita night! A build your own taco station will be available from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm in addition to a full signature bar. Tickets include 2 margaritas.

May
11

Wine Club: Loire Valley

6:30 pm

\$10 corkage fee, BYOB

The Loire Valley wine region includes the French wine regions situated along the Loire River from the Muscadet region on the Atlantic coast to the region of Sancerre and Pouilly-Fumé in north central France. In between are the regions of Anjou, Saumur, Bourgueil, Chinon, and Vouvray.

May
12

Games Dinner

8:00 pm - Reading Room

At the conclusion of the athletic season, we celebrate the winners and finalists of our many in house tournaments. An occasion for storytelling, our Pro Shop recaps all the highs and lows of the season.

May
25

Summer Kick-Off Party

5:30 pm - 11:00 pm - Reading Room

No cost to attend

The first summer happy hour of the season! Enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm and a full signature bar.

June
16

Italian Summer Theme Dinner

6:30 pm - Main Dining Room

The most popular dinner of the year is back! A welcome drink kicks off the evening with a three course menu to follow. Summer Members and Full Time Members alike enjoy this annual dinner.

The Gold Leaf Café
Monday - Saturday
12:00 pm - 2:30 pm
(Closed Saturdays in the Summer)

1889 Pub & Grille
Monday - Friday
5:00pm - 11:00pm

The Pro Shop
Monday - Friday
10:30 am - 8:00 pm

Swimming Pool
Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Business Center
Everyday
7:00 am - 10:00 pm

Barber Shop
Monday - Friday
7:00am - 4:00pm

All 4th Floor Courts
Monday - Sunday
24 Hours

Fitness Center
Monday - Sunday
24 Hours

MVP Program - Coming Soon!

What is the MVP Program?

The Membership Value Partner (MVP) Program was created to add additional benefits to club membership.

By establishing strategic partnerships with a variety of local businesses and venues in the Philadelphia area, our members will receive exclusive discounts on products and services.

In an effort to ensure that we are partnering with local businesses that our membership fancies, suggestions for a potential new MVP partner can be directed to Membership Development Coordinator Dave Wright at 215-772-1555 or dave@rcop.

Stay tuned! Additional details will be posted on the member login section of www.rcop.com.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Morgan McLaughlin



Morgan McLaughlin, one of our Resident Playing members, grew up outside the city and attended Lower Merion High School. She matriculated at Penn State's Schreyer Honors College, where she graduated Magna Cum Laude with a BA in French, a minor in International Studies, and with honors in Visual Arts.

She spent the next five years working for the French resort company Club Med, which included assignments all over the globe.

She returned to the Philadelphia area and began working as a controller for a hotel management company in Center City. It was at that time that she discovered the Racquet Club as a guest at a summer happy hour. She joined as a summer member in 2012, and she has been a positive presence in the Club ever since. As a complete newbie to the sport of squash, Morgan took advantage of the free clinics offered to summer members and found herself hooked. She elected to become a full time member in 2013.

When Morgan and her fiancé, Jon Senn (also a Resident Playing member), were looking for an apartment together a few months ago, one of Morgan's requirements was that it not be any further from the Club than her apartment at 17th & Spruce. Now the two of them and Morgan's cat, Pepperoni Van Whiskers, live on the 1600 block of Walnut and are happy to call the Racquet Club their second home just around the corner.

New Member Incentive

Receive an account credit towards your dues. There is no limit to how many credits you can earn.

PROPOSING MEMBER
\$250 Account Credit

SECONDING MEMBER
\$100 Account Credit

All current members are eligible to receive the New Member Incentive ("The Incentive").

Only new candidates applying for Resident, Suburban or Junior memberships will yield a credit to the proposer & seconder accounts. The Incentive does not apply to new candidates accepted in the Student and Non-Resident categories.

Contact Dave Wright at dave@rcop.com for details.

Favorite Meals?

Tie between pepperoni pizza from Lazaro's and my mom's spaghetti with bacon & asparagus.

What are your favorite quotes?

"Any pizza can be a personal pizza if you believe in yourself"

Favorite Racquet Club memory?

Sponsoring my then-boyfriend (now fiancé) Jon Senn as a member in summer 2015. Now we can enjoy the Club together.

Where do you see yourself in five years' time?

Since I got engaged in November, I think I have some big changes on the horizon, so in five years... I might have kids! I hope the baby bouncer that Ty Hofmann and Fiona Cobb have used is still around by then!

If you had to select three words to describe yourself, what would they be?

I asked (put on the spot) my fiancé, Jon, and he said "Compassionate, intelligent, and sensible."

What do you do for a living/where do you work?

I'm an associate at RAIT Financial Trust.

What is something your Racquet Club family would be surprised to learn about you?

I think people might be surprised to learn that I lived and worked internationally for years in various places such as Turks & Caicos, Indonesia, the Maldives, and the Bahamas. I am the proud owner of land in rural Ireland. Another interesting fact is that I was stung by a scorpion on a rafting trip through the Grand Canyon.

What do you like most about The Racquet Club?

The Pub Club. I'm kidding, but I do like it a lot! I like playing squash and I also like the social side of things. I think that they each complement the other so it's good to have both.

Any advice for a new member at The Racquet Club?

I think that the Racquet Club is a lot of different things for different people, so I'd say that whatever it is you joined the club for, make sure to try something else, too! Also, don't miss the Pub Club Championships!!



ENTER TO WIN A FREE CASUAL BUSINESS LUNCHEON AT THE CLUB

Drop your Business Card at the Front Desk for a chance to win!

Limit one entry per person. Valued up to \$1,000. Cannot be redeemed in October or November. Winner will be announced on May 26th. Questions? Contact brittany@rcop.com

AFFINITY CLUBS

WINE CLUB

Wine Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month and discusses various wine varietals with one hosted meeting per quarter. Wine Club is BYOB and the corkage fee is \$10.

SAILING ASSOCIATION

The Racquet Club Sailing Association (RCSA) offers events for all levels of sailors on the Delaware River, Chesapeake Bay, and other nautical destinations. Members with boats on the Delaware frequently host open sails in small groups on Tuesday nights throughout the summer. A larger regatta takes place annually in September on the Chesapeake, typically involving a Saturday race, group dinner, and late-night flotilla.

BACKGAMMON CLUB

Backgammon is a long-standing tradition at the Racquet Club. The Backgammon Club meets weekly in the 1889 Pub & Grille on Thursdays, however boards are always available for a pick-up game in both the Gold Leaf Café and 1889 Pub & Grille.

BRIDGE CLUB

The Bridge Club meets weekly in the 1889 Pub & Grille on Monday evenings at 7 pm. All playing levels are welcome!

COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB

The Community Service Club focuses on Community outreach and has partnered with Ronald McDonald House and Philabundance in the past.

OUTDOORS CLUB

Operating year round, the Outdoors Club ventures outside the city limits for group shooting & fishing trips in the tri-state area. M&M Hunting Preserve in Pennsville, NJ is a frequent destination and is host to the annual RCOP Team Sporting Clay Challenge. Fishing trips are organized on the northern Delaware River and nearby tributaries. All levels from beginner to experienced are encouraged to join! Rentals can be arranged as needed.

DARTS CLUB

The newly formed Darts Club meets on Mondays in the 1889 Pub & Grille at 7:00 pm.

Members interested in learning more about participating in Affinity Clubs are encouraged to contact Katelynn Zaccaria at katelynn@rcop.com for more information.





CLUB EVENTS RECAP

WINTER HAPPY HOUR

The second Winter Happy Hour in the Reading Room was a success, with approximately sixty or so members in attendance. Complimentary cheese and crudit  accompanied a roaring fire and signature bar, similar to the Summer Happy Hours. The Club also enjoyed hosting guests that evening as it shared billing with the Philly Boast. The introduction of this event gave us something to look forward to during the dark and chilly winter!

WHISTLEPIG & MACALLAN TASTING

CEO and Founder of WhistlePig Rye, Raj Peter Bhakta, and a representative from Macallan led over fifty members in a tasting that included Whistle Pig 10 Year, Old World, and Boss Hog, along with Macallan 12 Year, 15 Year, and Rare Cask. Afterward, members indulged in a cocktail hour that included a complimentary cocktail and heavy hors d'oeuvres.

WINE PAIRING DINNER

The February Wine Pairing Dinner was an intimate affair held in the Duck Blind, and our in-house Sommelier Carmen Picard was able to put his wine knowledge to work with

a beautiful four course pairing menu. First course started with a Vouvray Sec from the Loire Valley, paired with a raw mackerel crudo with a scallion salad in a warm dashi broth. The second course featured a Pinot Noir/Gamay blend from the Niagara Peninsula in Canada, which complemented the winter salad with grilled squash, onion, barley, and trevisiano leaf perfectly. The star of the show, though, was the entr e course, pairing a Sangiovese/Canaiolo blend from Italy with a house made fazzoletti pasta dish topped with wild boar ragu and caramelized pears. The evening was topped off with an Italian prosecco and brandy pannacotta with apricot sauce and smoked almonds.

ORPHEUS PRE-CONCERT DINNERS

We were delighted to host another Orpheus Pre-Concert Dinner, this time in two installments due to the two-night run at the Union League. Members and guests were treated to a three course prix fixe dinner with a signature bar and cheese display. The Racquet Club is always happy to host a special dinner before the concerts, so don't miss the one in May!



RECIPROCAL CLUB SPOTLIGHT

Springdale Hall Club

Located in Camden, South Carolina, our newest reciprocal club partner is nestled in the midst of horse country. Springdale offers guests a combination of the finest southern cuisine and accommodations in close proximity to the Springdale Race Track (horse riding, training and watching). Springdale is adjacent to the Camden Country Club where guests have golf and tennis privileges, and can participate in shooting activities and on hunting excursions.

Springdale Hall Club
161 Knights Hill Rd
Camden, South Carolina 29021
803-432-3521

www.SpringdaleHallClub.com

LORD PERCIVAL & IRISH MEMBER/GUEST DOUBLES SQUASH TOURNAMENT

Athletics didn't get to have all the fun during the Lord Percival & Irish Member/Guest double squash tournament! Members and guests enjoyed a three course dinner in the Dining Room, followed by cocktails and dueling pianos in the Lobby which was transformed into a cozy cocktail lounge for the evening.

TEAM SPORTING CLAY CHALLENGE

The Outdoors Club organized the Second Annual Team Sporting Clay Challenge at M&M Hunting Preserve in Pinesville, NJ in March. Sader's Raiders (Steve Sader, Michael Haass, JP Larchevesque & Stephen Riley) won the grand prize, and all of our members who attended enjoyed the day in the fresh air and the lunch on site. Thank you to Outdoors Club Chair Chris Casazza for organizing!

RCSA DARK & STORMY REGATTA

The Racquet Club Sailing Association kicked off the 2016 sailing season with a Pool Regatta and Dark & Stormy cocktails poolside. The Racquet Club would like to welcome newly appointed Commodore Lily Williams and Vice Commodore James Price, and thank our previous Commodore Bill McLaughlin for all his hard work last season. Ahoy!



EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Each month, the Club recognizes personnel that go above and beyond the call of duty to make your membership experience the best that it can be. Employees that earn this distinction are awarded a \$50 gift card and a complimentary day off.

Listed below are the employees that received this honor over the past three months.

WILLIAM CALERO William has been covering most of Dassi's (the Club's Controller) day-to-day responsibilities while she has been out on maternity leave which has required him to work increase his work load significantly, which earned him the Employee of the Month award in January. Not only has he had to work long hours since mid-November, but he has had increased responsibilities directly related to financial record-keeping for the Club. His role during Dassi's absence has been crucial in helping the Club maintain good accounting practices. William's additional responsibilities have not interrupted him from continuing to offer top-notch customer service to members and overnight guests on the weekends at the Front Desk. Please congratulate William in earning another Employee of the Month honor for his excellent work at The Racquet Club.

ESSENCE OWENS For the month of February, Essence has earned the honor of Employee of the Month. Essence has made vast improvements in her performance in both Housekeeping and as a server for Private Events which has led to her nomination this month. She regularly makes herself available to fill in when needed and when she does, she offers our members and guests a warm smile and great customer service. Essence's primary role is in the Guest Rooms of the Club where she has been mentored by our full-time Housekeeper, Cristina Moreno, which has shown in Essence's rapid improvements.

MARK ROSARIO Mark received the coveted Employee of the Month award for March. Mark has been with The Racquet Club for almost two years now and many members may be unaware of his responsibilities because he has a very mild and calm demeanor. Mark acts as the custodian for the second floor and the basement levels of the Club. Mark particularly had his work cut out for him during the demolition phase of the squash court project due to the amount of dust that accumulated in the Fitness Center and elsewhere, but he worked diligently to try to keep the clubhouse as clean as possible. Mark also assists the maintenance and banquets department whenever called upon to move scaffolding or furniture. Mark is extremely well liked by his peers and consistently has a positive attitude at the Club. Mark will have his hands full when the new courts on the second floor are completed but management has the utmost confidence that Mark will continue to perform his duties brilliantly.



Your Club
Your Day

FOR WEDDING & PRIVATE EVENT BOOKINGS, CONTACT BRITTANY LAWRENCE AT BRITTANY@RCOP.COM

ATHLETICS IN REVIEW

RC Shoot-Out Tennis & Squash January 15TH - 16TH

The Shoot-Outs are new events that were added last season and have become big hits among the members. They are a great way to compete, bet, and improve your game in a short window.

The format is a lightning round on Friday night to establish a team handicap, followed by a quick dinner while a small bid & buy takes place in the 1889 Pub. The main draw is played on Saturday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. This was our third one of the season and the addition of Tennis pushed all players to the limit with court time. Typically, all the matches are won in the last few points with the handicap system being perfect.

In the Squash draw, Joe Sisson (who went through a record number of playing shirts) and Peter Bender eked out a five game victory over Hannah Margoles and John Lumley. In the Tennis draw, George Connell coached his partner Jon Auerbach to the finals where they faced Randy Barr and Rob Armstrong. George and Jon had a few more wins in the end to take the title.

Philly Boast Squash & US 60's Singles/Doubles Tennis February 5TH - 7TH

The Philly Boast was started in 1999 by Rob Whitehouse and Rob Armstrong trying to add a fun but competitive annual event to the calendar. Whitehouse and Armstrong worked the phones to get area players to come into the RC to compete and socialize with RC members.

The last five years has seen the Philly Boast sold out with over 100 single entries and most of the field playing in two events. The USCTA always ties in a tennis event along with the Boast to add some fuel to the fire.

The level of play this year was extremely high and the camaraderie was even higher. Congratulations to the winners!

PHILLY BOAST

B Doubles: Matt Avellino & Mike Dolente

C Doubles: Jeff Yager & Sebastian Yager

A Singles: Mike Dolente

B Singles: Matt McClure

C Singles: Raymond Johnstone

D Singles: Mike Giurlando

US OVER 60s NATIONALS

Singles: Greg Van Schaak

Doubles: Greg Van Schaak and Peter Clement

RCOP Junior Bronze Tournament February 12TH - 14TH

The Racquet Club for the first time in its history hosted a regional junior squash tournament. James Asher worked extremely hard to get the word out and his hard work payed off. The Club saw 75 juniors

crash the Racquet Club's squash courts. We hosted Boys & Girls divisions (U11, U13, U15) and hope with the squash expansion to add more junior events to the schedule.

Percival Member-Guest March 11TH - 13TH

The Percy Cup has been going since 1992 but reformed in 2011 with the help of Jim Zug. The captain of each team picks his six players as early as January to represent their club. There are eight teams of six players playing in a two- four team round robin format to determine the top two teams in each group.

The Athletic committee added the Member/Guest Squash Doubles to be played in conjunction with the Percy for the first time this year. It was a huge success combing the two events and proved to be one this year's highlights on the Athletic Calendar. Team Philadelphia lost in the Round Robin format by one game to New York to see both New York teams battle for the Percy Cup. Congratulations to New York 2.

The Member/Guest had 15 teams enter into this year. The play was very competitive with two draws forming after Friday nights opening matches. Congratulations to Jake Van Roden and Jeff Porter who came out victorious over Peter Schreiber and Duncan Pearson in a high quality final.

Saturday nights brought both groups together and the social side of the weekend was fantastic. The Member/Guest has found a good weekend and in the future will be partnering up with the Percy Cup to make a strong fixture on the Athletic Calendar.

Club Dining

The Gold Leaf Café

Open Monday-Friday
12 pm- 2pm, and Saturdays
during the Athletic Season, the
Gold Leaf Café offers fast and
casual dining along with a full
service bar. After lunch, enjoy
fresh, house made pastries and
La Colombe Coffee!

The 1889 Pub & Grille

Open Monday-Friday
5 pm- 11 pm (Kitchen closes at
10), the 1889 Pub & Grille
straddles the line between casual
pub fare and fine dining.

Tuesdays Uncorked

Members are invited to BYOB in
the Pub while they dine every
Tuesday evening for a \$10
corkage fee per bottle
(wine only).

Oyster Fridays

Enjoy fresh shucked oysters every
Friday night in the Pub.

Fare to Pair Happy Hour

Join us Monday-Friday from 5 pm
to 7 pm where select drink
purchases are accompanied by a
complimentary small plate of food
designed to pair perfectly with
your drink. Small plates are also
available for \$4 each. Menu
changes seasonally.



MEMBERSHIP

We offer several categories of membership depending on proximity, age, and status:

RESIDENT

NON-RESIDENT

SUBURBAN

JUNIOR

STUDENT/
MILITARY

If you know a prospective member that would like to apply for membership, an application can be submitted to the Membership Development Coordinator, Dave Wright.

Applications can be found online at www.rcop.com/membership and can be submitted electronically or by mail to the attention of Dave Wright.

Have questions regarding the Elective Process?

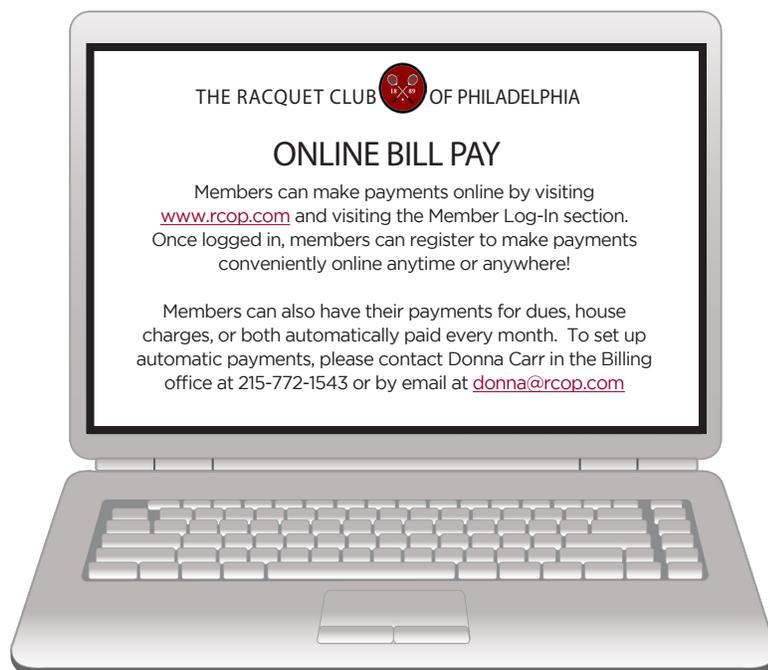
Please contact Dave Wright at 215-772-1555 or dave@rcop.com for assistance.

CLUB EMAIL LIST

Spouses of Full Time Members have signing privileges at the Club. Sign your spouse up for the eblast so he or she doesn't miss out on any of the fun! Contact Katelynn Zaccaria at katelynn@rcop.com with his or her email address.

DISCOUNTED PARKING

Members can pay for parking at Patriot Parking garage located on 1616 Chancellor Street through their membership account at the front desk. Simply bring your ticket to the front desk, sign the form, and the agent will offer the sticker for validation. The parking sticker will not appear on a member's statement until the first week of the following month. For more information on parking validation please call the Front Desk at 215-735-1525.



TUESDAYS UNCORKED

Every Tuesday night in the 1889 Pub & Grille members are invited to bring their own bottle of wine while they dine with a \$10 corkage fee per bottle.

FITNESS CENTER UPDATE

The Club debuted a new and improved Fitness Center in March!

We are very proud of the upgraded facilities and hope that members continue to utilize this membership benefit.

During renovation, old equipment was removed, a fresh coat of paint was applied, more mirrors were hung, TVs were mounted, and flooring was laid in the free-weight area. State of the art Racquet Club branded equipment was installed upon completion of the renovation.



PERSONAL TRAINING & MASSAGE THERAPY

Transformation Fitness has been partnered with The Racquet Club for over five years and offers our membership fantastic fitness services that include Personal Training and Massage Therapy.

Transformation Fitness provides the Club with high quality instructors to teach all of our complimentary classes including High Intensity Interval Training, Cardio Kickboxing, Pilates, and more!

BOOKING DETAILS

Email: info@transformationfitnessnj.com

Phone: 856-439-6748

PERSONAL TRAINING \$48/per one-on-one session, \$35/per person per session for group personal training (2 people).

MASSAGE THERAPY \$65 for a 60 minute massage OR \$90 for a 90 minute massage.

FREE

FITNESS CLASSES

Classes are taught in the Fitness Studio located just outside the Men's Locker Room on the 3rd floor. Whitehouse of Pain is held on the 5th floor.

All classes are either at 6:00 pm or 7:00 pm, and are FREE unless otherwise stated.

High Intensity Interval Training - FREE

HIIT class is a total body, heart pumping, high intensity workout. This class is interval based and combines full-body workout with cardio, designed to improve your overall wellness and take all the worries of the world off your mind. Modifications for all fitness levels are provided.

Court Ready Core - FREE

Develop strong ab and lower back muscles, increase your dynamic flexibility and prevent injury with a combination of core, balance and calisthenic routines. Perfect for getting ready for your next tournament!

Cardio Kickboxing - FREE

This is a fun, action-packed workout that combines martial arts, boxing, and aerobic movements. Members get a challenging cardiovascular and full body workout as they kick, punch, block and move in each Cardio Kickboxing class.

Pilates - FREE

Pilates focuses on developing the strength of the abdominal and torso muscles. Additionally, this workout will improve your breathing, mental and physical well-being, flexibility, and core strength.

Stretch & Sculpt - FREE

This low-impact class incorporates strength training and stretching to tone and tighten the important muscle groups in the body. This full body workout will increase flexibility, strength, and reduce stress!

Whitehouse of Pain* - \$10 per class

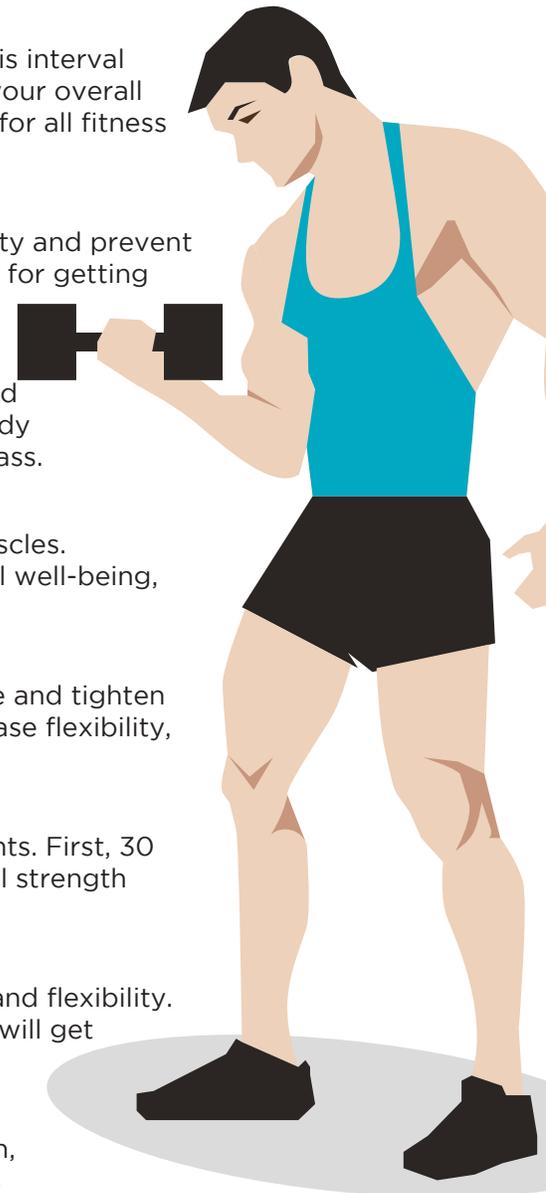
A circuit style workout class dividing the 1 hour class time into two segments. First, 30 minutes of aerobic exercises on court followed by 30 minutes of kettle-bell strength training.

Bootcamp* - \$10 per class

Our only mid-day class, Boot Camp combines aerobics, strength training, and flexibility. Designed to push your body to a higher level of physical fitness, this class will get you fit.

Yoga** - \$20 per class

By linking your breath to your movement, yoga will help you build strength, increase flexibility, and find focus. Learn the postures and principles of this challenging and dynamic workout in this weekly class.



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
 6:00 pm YOGA**	 6:00 pm PILATES	 6:00 pm STRETCH & SCULPT	 6:00 pm WHITEHOUSE OF PAIN*	 12:00 pm BOOTCAMP*
 6:00 pm WHITEHOUSE OF PAIN*	 7:00 pm COURT READY CORE	 7:00 pm CARDIO KICKBOXING		
 7:00 pm HI-INTERVAL TRAINING				

Private Events

MEETINGS
TAKE OUT CATERING
WEDDINGS
HOLIDAY PARTIES
PRIVATE TASTING MENUS



PACKAGES FOR BREAKFAST,
LUNCH, RECEPTIONS &
DINNERS

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BRITTANY LAWRENCE
BRITTANY@RCOP.COM
215-772-1548



MERCHANDISE LIST

MEN'S ACCESSORIES

Crossed Racquets Bow Tie	\$50.00
Crossed Racquets Neck Tie	\$65.00
Striped Bow Tie	\$45.00
Striped Neck Tie	\$65.00
Rosette	\$15.00
Suspenders	\$25.00
Cummerbund	\$40.00
Cufflinks	\$65.00
Velvet Slippers (Made to Order)	Contact Dave Wright at dave@rcop.com
Scarf	Coming soon!
Club Signet Ring	Coming soon!
Money Clip	Coming soon!

OTHER PRODUCTS

Smathers & Branson Needlepoint Flask	\$45.00
Umbrella	\$30.00
16 TH Street Prints	\$10.00
Pocket Tape Measure	\$20.00
Needlepoint Belt	\$150.00
Flip Flops	Coming soon!
Pint Glass (Set of 2)	Coming soon!
Sunglasses	Coming soon!
Vineyard Vines Tote Bag	Coming soon!
Coffee Mug	Coming soon!

All merchandise is subject to an additional 8% sales tax. Merchandise can be purchased at the Front Desk.

The Club has thirteen exceptionally appointed guest rooms that are designed to complement the beautifully unique architecture of our renowned and historic Clubhouse. Five of the overnight rooms are suites which offer spacious living quarters, king size beds, and complimentary wine for the first night of the reservation.

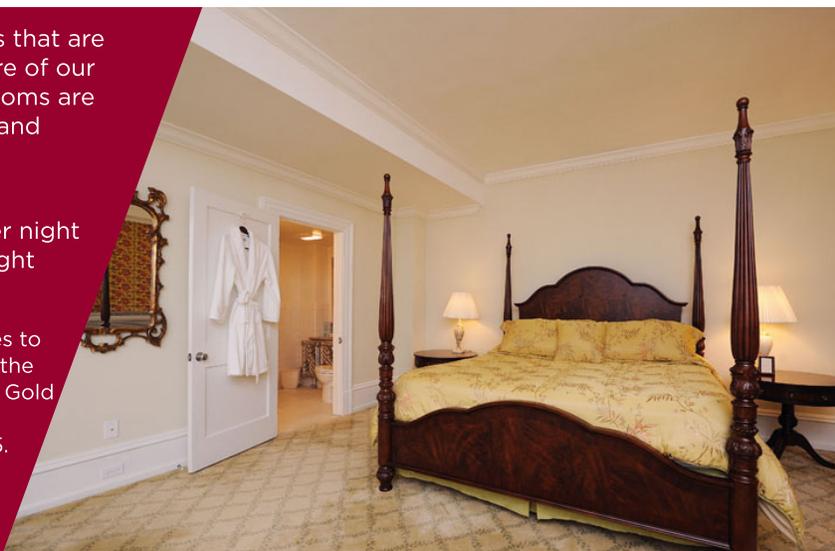
MEMBER RATES

Standard Room: \$139 per night
 Junior Suite: \$175 per night
 Luxury Suite: \$215 per night

GUEST RATES

Standard Room: \$159 per night
 Junior Suite: \$195 per night

Members are encouraged to sponsor friends, family, and colleagues to stay at our beautiful Clubhouse. Overnight guests enjoy access to the Club's pool, newly renovated fitness center, locker rooms, and The Gold Leaf Café and 1889 Pub. To make a reservation, visit: www.rcop.com/guest-rooms or call the Front Desk at 215-735-1525.





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