



SPECTATORS WATCH THE PLAY AT THE ROUND ROBIN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

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Round Robin Tennis at R.A.

By Esther Pinto

"40-30", "game" "score 2-1", "change sides", "drink water." This is what many heard at the Riviera Alta Round Robin tennis tournament from the tournament director.

Fourteen residents participated in this four day event under the sun with the court temperature reaching 106 F. Spectators sitting under umbrellas heard "that was my ball", "if I could only get my first serve in", "sorry", "you took my ball", "switch" and some which I cannot print, was spoken from the players during the match.

Q's and A's

Question: Do you know anyone reliable who can drive us to or from the airport?

Answer: We know that many Lakesiders have used Francisco and his three sons over the years and found them to be reliable, always on time, plus they speak English. The name of their company is Miramontes Transfer. They have one car that holds 4 passengers, a mini-van that holds 5 passengers and two 10-passenger vans. In addition, if you give them your return flight schedule, they will also pick you up at the airport and return you to your casa. Costs depend on services rendered. Call them at: 045-333-157-8060 or 766-1142

Spectators and players were laughing, clapping, trash talking and enjoying beverages provided by Jim Sleeth during the tournament. Thank you "Jim".

Plans are being made to have more of these tournaments during the summer months and when our snowbirds return. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you can't play, be a spectator and cheer on your neighbors.

This is a fun tennis tournament, in which everyone is a "Winner."

Question: How do I get a copy of one of Frank Oberle's books?

Answer: In the last issue of News & Views, we ran an article on the amazing life of Frank and Joan Oberle before they retired to R.A. We received a number of queries asking how one can obtain a copy of Frank's two books: "Finding a Home" and "A Chosen Path". Here is what Frank says:

'Orders can be processed through Heritage House Publishing by way of Frank's website: www.frankoberlesr.ca. Another option would be: Amazon.com or Amazon.ca

Frank is also planning to bring some copies with him when he returns in the fall.



Emcee Ed Tasca and Diana Rowland enjoy a glass of wine



Mike Miller and Karen Caskey pose for the camera



Leo and Esther Pinto (center) with Ted and Margy Kassier
Ed: Visit rivieraalta.com for more pictures

Fun! Fun! Fun! At the Primavera



Residents and friends dance to the tunes of Jay Shuffle and the JAMM Band

Live....laugh...and, most importantly, love. Good words to live by. All of those were on display at Riviera Alta's Primavera dance on March 27th.

Dining and dancing by our beautiful pool in the great outdoors. What a perfect evening it was...the food was outstanding and the music adapted to everyone's taste... slow and romantic to start and on to the more energetic rock 'n roll songs of the 60's and 70's to cap off the evening. Not to mention a little line dancing by some of the ladies. You can see a number of the revellers by going to our website:

<http://www.rivieraalta.com/photo-gallery.HTML>

Grins & Snickers

Two guys were discussing popular family trends on sex, marriage and family values. Bill said: "I didn't sleep with my wife before we got married, did you?" Larry replied, "I'm not sure, what was her maiden name?"

Two reasons why it's so hard to solve a redneck murder:

1. The DNA matches
2. There are no dental records

Umbrellas around the pool

We have been informed by residents who have come to the clubhouse later in the afternoon/evening that the umbrellas have been left open. This is a reminder to please close the umbrellas after each and every use.

Games donations from residents

We have received donations of games from residents who wish to remain anonymous. You will find these games in the two lower cupboards in the library. We only ask that you return the games to the library when you are finished with them.

Staff party on May 1st. Accepting condiments and clothing donations

Last summer, Esther Pinto and our property manager, Victor Aldana, organized a very successful barbecue party at the clubhouse for our staff and their families. It was such a success and was so well received by everyone, another event is planned for Thursday, May 1st from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. In addition to burgers and all the fixings, there will be games and a piñata filled with candy and prizes for the children. If some of you snowbirds are cleaning out your fridges as you prepare to return home and have condiments (mustard, relish, ketchup, hot sauce, etc.), candies or toys you would like to donate to this event, please call Esther Pinto at 766-6007. Also, some of the children (and adults) do not have bathing suits so if you have a bathing suit you are no longer using or clothes you would like to give away, Esther will be accepting all donations for the fiesta.

The Magic of Zeolite

By Jim Bellamy



Bob James and son Jackie of H.Olé and our own Adriano pose with the commercial-grade zeolite filter

Zeolite is one of nature's most efficient filter media and it is the filter material used in the commercial-grade water filter now installed in the Antequera aljibe. The filter is actually installed in the water line before the aljibe. This means the water stored in the aljibe is now cleaner and the water flowing to the homes on Antequera is cleaner, as well.

If residents of Antequera discover that their water filters now last twice as long between changes the resulting total savings for all homeowners on the street, over 18 months, is equivalent to the installation cost of the zeolite filter. We also expect the aljibe itself to require less frequent cleaning.

The control valve used features automatic back wash and is virtually maintenance-free.

If this test proves successful a roll-out to other streets is planned for the future.

Seniors' Humour



Farewell Dear Neighbours

Soon, my husband Jim and I, will be returning to Canada to our "other" home leaving behind our beloved Riviera Alta and its wonderful residents. This issue of *News & Views* will be my last. It's been my "little baby" these past few months and it's been a joy to publish. Unfortunately, due to planned travel plans next Fall/Winter, I cannot commit the time necessary to continue with its publication.

We have wonderful writers here at Riviera Alta and perhaps one of you would like to take over the task of keeping our residents informed of the goings-on in our community. A newsletter, whether it's *News and Views* or just a simple one-page newsletter, is a great unifying thread amongst our residents. We are looking for a volunteer...if you are interested, please email Jim Bellamy at jim@bbicanada.com.

In closing, I would like to express a word of thanks to all of you who have emailed me and sent compliments and words of encouragement when I first set out to do a newsletter back in November.

Fran Bellamy



