

Meet Our Tennis Professionals

"experience is the best teacher"

Gary Engelbrecht

USPTA

- Head Pro and Director of Tennis at TRFC for 30 years
- Gary worked with more than 30 nationally ranked players, 20 Southwest Champions, and more than 50 AZ State High School Champs.
- Worked for "Hall of Fame" coaches Nick Bollettieri and Harry Hopman.
- University of Arizona Women's Tennis Assistant (6 years) including "Final Four" appearance and PAC 10 Championship.
- Most Famous Lesson: Andrea Farley. Andréa went on to become the #1 ranked Junior in the world.



Mike Gleason

USPTA

- Full-time TRFC Tennis Staff for 5 years
- 25 years of teaching experience
- Director of Tennis at the Seville Golf and Country Club in Phoenix
- Second place finish in the El Tour De Tucson in 1987

Tom Wolff

Tennis Pro

- Former #1 player for Arizona State Champions Catalina Foothills
- Played varsity tennis for University of San Diego
- Transferred to and is currently playing for the U of A men's Team

Nelson Payne

Tennis Pro

- Nelson begins his fourth year at Tucson Racquet Club.
- Nelson comes to us from San Angelo, Texas.
- Head Pro at several clubs in Texas including Head Pro at San Angelo's Brentwood Country Club and Director of Tennis at College Hills Country Club
- Most Famous Lesson: Hailey and Tatum Rochin ...ranked number 1 in the Southwest.



Gretchen Schantz

Tennis Pro

- Gretchen has been part of our full-time TRFC Tennis Staff for six years.
- She was a varsity tennis player for UC-Davis
- Head Coach at Pima Community College for the past 3 years
- From Taos, NM. and enjoys skiing in Taos ...the best in the country.



Patrick Metham

Tennis Pro

- Varsity player for the University of Arizona Men's Tennis Team
- Hails from New Zealand
- PAC-10 All-Academic team

Bill Wright

Tennis Pro

- Former Head Coach and UofA and Cal
- PAC 10 Coach of the Year
- NCAA Coach of the Year
- NCAA Hall of Fame Coach
- Most Famous Lesson: The "President" of The United States of America

Sharif Moustave

USPTA

- Sharif comes to us from Minnesota
- Director of Tennis Yuma Racquet Club
- Speaks 3 languages including English
- Sharif is currently the Head Coach of the Pima Community College Men's
- Most Famous Lesson: Dominic Bermudez, top player in the Southwest.



Serena Quarelli

USPTA

- Native of Santa Monica, CA
- Varsity Tennis at UC Santa Barbara
- Ranked top 10 in the Country
- Experience includes the Riviera Country

Club in Santa Monica, CA and Head Pro at Ventana Canyon Country Club in Tucson.



- Most Famous Lesson: Dustin Hoffman from "The Graduate" and "Tootsie"

Brian Ramirez

Tennis Pro

- UofA Assistant Women's Coach for 3 years
- Assistant Coach at Stanford University
- Brian worked as a Tennis Professional at Palmer Academy in Florida
- Camp Director at Stanford Nike Camp

Sam Ciulla

USPTA

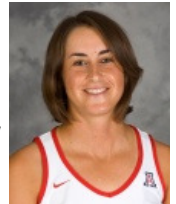
- Associate Head Tennis Pro at Tucson Racquet Club for 32 years.
- Worked with Fred Stolle and Margaret Court as part of the Racquet Club Ranch.
- Most Famous Lesson: Oscar winner Charlton Heston most famous for playing Moses in "The Ten Commandments" and "Ben Hur".



Danielle Steinberg

Tennis Pro

- Played #1 for UofA Women's Varsity Tennis, team Captain
- Ranked 37 in the NCAA
- Danielle hails from Tel Aviv, Israel
- Served in the Israeli Army for two years
- Graduated with a 3.97 GPA
- Currently UofA Women's Varsity Assistant Coach



Matt Gleason

Tennis Pro

- Pro at TRFC for 10 years
- Coached Pima to the National Championship in 1998 ...NJCAA "Coach of the Year"
- Previous ranked #1 in doubles in the Southwest
- Assistant Director of Tennis at Randolph for eight years

