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2018 AUCTION





Thank you for attending the 21st Annual Dinner and for supporting the USCTA with your donations to this catalog and for bidding on the items listed in the next few pages.

Auction proceeds are essential for the Association. They help enable the USCTA to publish an annual report, our monthly e-newsletter Chase the First and a fixtures calendar and administer our active website; host our annual luncheon tomorrow at the Whitney Cup; support the development of female, junior, and top amateur players; conduct relations with other national governing bodies; and support U.S. teams at international competitions—next May, for example, we are hosting two of the oldest and most important of these competitions, the Bathurst Cup and the World Masters.

The last item in our auction catalog is a special one. Professionals are the backbone of our game. They teach us, coach us, run tournaments, multi-task in the pro shop and inspire us with their good nature, competitive play and friendship. One of the core missions of the Association is to provide prize money for tournaments such as the U.S. Open, National Open, the U.S. Professional Singles playing for the Schochet Cup, and the USCTA National League. We are working to raise our tournament purses and have created a national sponsorship program to bring in additional funds.

The paddle raise at the end of the night will go to this sponsorship program. Whether it's a pro who loses in the first round of a tournament or a National League winner, the program's goal is to recognize and support both of them. We hope you will contribute as generously as possible. All donors will be listed on the USCTA's Annual Report and website.

AUCTION LOTS

1. **Newport Country Club Golf Outing**
2. **Black Point Inn Weekend**
3. **Two Nights "Behind the Hedges"**
4. **A Day at The Tuxedo Club**
5. **The Beach Boys at London's Royal Albert Hall**
6. **London Flat for a Week**
7. **Palm Beach Home for a Week**
8. **Bespoke USCTA Folding Backgammon Board**
9. **Mashomack Shooting Package**
10. **Shinnecock Hills Golf Outing**
11. **North Shore (Chicago) Trifecta Golf Outing**
12. **USCTA National Sponsorship Program**

We encourage you to submit absentee bids no later than 13:00 on Friday December 7, 2018 for any of the items in this catalog.

Lot 1 – Newport Country Club Golf Outing

Enjoy a round of golf and lunch (**winning bidder plus two guests**) at the historic Newport Country Club. One of the five founding member clubs of the USGA.

Originally designed in 1894 by William F. Davis and remodeled in 1923 by A.W. Tillinghast. The Newport Country Club hosted the 2006 U.S. Women's Open. Mutually agreed dates within 18 months.

Includes:

- Green fees and lunch



FIRST ROUND DONATED BY BRIAN OWENS
SECOND ROUND DONATED BY RICHARD BRICKLEY

Lot 2 – Black Point Inn Weekend, Prouts Neck, Maine

Weekend for two at the extraordinary Black Point Inn, Prouts Neck, Maine.

Presiding over one of the most spectacular settings along Maine's coastline. A quintessential oceanfront hotel located 20 minutes south of Portland. Enjoy access to tennis courts, local cliff walk and bird sanctuary, and beach and yacht club facilities. Dates to be agreed upon by donor and bidding winner.

Includes:

- Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast & dinner, and Sunday breakfast at the Inn
- One round of golf for two at the Prouts Neck Country Club (green fees only)



DONATED BY JEREMY WINTERSTEEN

Lot 3 – Two nights “Behind the Hedges” in Northern Harbor, Maine

Temple writes:

Ellie and Temple Grassi will host **you and three others, on mutually agreed dates** during the ‘summah’ of 2019 for **two nights** at our ‘cottage’ - ‘Northern Lodge’. Enjoy golf, ‘crass’ lawners, walking, hiking, biking, boating, swimming (if you dare- brrr!), cocktails, dinner party, lobster restaurant (famous Abel’s), overnight stay, breakfast (bacon, anyone?), and lunch.

All you have to do is get yourself there and we’ll take care of everything. Be prepared for ‘non stop action’ - if you are looking to relax, this offer is not for you - that’s not the way we ‘roll’ in ‘our island paradise in the land of the pointed firs’!

There is excellent air service to Bangor 90 minutes away - big planes and Bar Harbor 20 minutes away - small planes.



Ride shotgun in the 1931 Ford Model A

DONATED BY ELLIE & TEMPLE GRASSI

Lot 4 – A Day at The Tuxedo Club

Enjoy a full day at the unparalleled grounds of The Tuxedo Club, the only private club in the world offering golf and five racquet sports.

Winning bidder and up to three guests will get to play a round of golf and any of the other racquet sports at the Club’s venues. Your host, Kim Kilgore, will arrange for lunch and dinner at the clubhouse and cocktails on the grounds of The Ballroom featured in *The Golden Age of American Gardens*. Mutually agreed dates within 18 months.

Includes:

- Lunch and dinner at the clubhouse, cocktails at The Ballroom
- Green fees for a round of golf
- Court fees for tennis, rackets, lawn tennis, paddle, and squash



DONATED BY KIM KILGORE

Lot 5 – The Beach Boys at London's Royal Albert Hall Monday June 24, 2019

Come see America's band playing at one of the most iconic venues in the world!

The Beach Boys return to London for two nights at the Royal Albert Hall in 2019. **You and 3 guests (4 tickets)** will get to see and meet The Beach Boys **Monday June 24, 2019** at London's Royal Albert Hall. The Beach Boys pioneered the wildly popular "Surf Sound", selling more records than any other American band.

Includes:

- Four VIP Experience tickets (pre-show reception in the hospitality suite)
- Backstage meet-and-greet with the band

Extend your Surfin' Safari with some court tennis action at Queen's Club on mutually agreed dates around June 24, 2019.



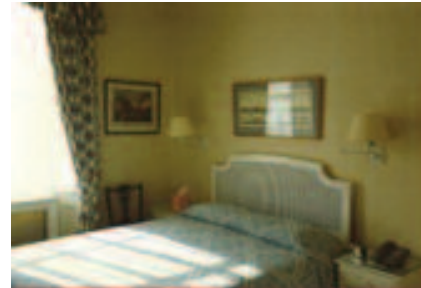
TICKETS DONATED BY WINSTON SIMONE
COURT TIME AT QUEEN'S DONATED BY LINCOLN FRANK

Lot 6 – London Flat for a Week

One week in Flat #3 at Chesham Street, London SW1X 8DT.

Fantastic location between Belgrave Square and Sloane Street. Just south of Pont Street.

One bedroom with queen bed, living room with couch folding out to queen bed. **Sleeps four.** Lots of closet and storage space. Chesham is a very quiet, one-way street. Mutually agreed dates within 18 months.



DONATED BY HOWARD MCMORRIS

Lot 7 – Palm Beach Home for a Week

Beautiful Palm Beach compound available for **one week** on mutually agreed dates between **April 15 – November 22, 2019**.

The house, at 7,000 sq. ft., is set on a large lot, boasts 5 bedrooms and 6 baths. **Sleeps 10**. The property includes a large swimming pool. Enjoy deeded beach rights and proximity to the Lake Trail, which is wonderful for biking and jogging. The house was built in 1941 and was designed by famed society architect Maurice Fatio.



DONATED BY JASON BRIGGS & GOLD LEAF

Lot 8 – Bespoke USCTA Folding Backgammon Board

Fabulous custom made folding backgammon board, **featuring hand-painted USCTA logos**.

Made from Pennsylvania cherry wood and lined with cork. Finished with water-resistant seal to protect from wear. Tortoise shell dice cups are included and fit inside when closed. Handmade by Jessica Griffith of Nine Fair Backgammon.



DONATED BY JESSICA GRIFFITH & NINE FAIR

Lot 9 – Mashomack Shooting Package

Bird shooting at the Mashomack Preserve Club. A choice of a morning field shoot for **the successful bidder and two guests**, or one peg at a pheasant release shoot.

Mashomack is a 1,900-acre private sporting preserve and social club located in Pine Plains, New York – just 90 minutes from NYC.

Experienced shooters only. Mutually agreed dates within 18 months.

Includes:

-Breakfast and lunch



DONATED BY CHARLES NEUHAUSER

Lot 10 – Shinnecock Hills Golf Outing

Enjoy a round of golf and lunch (**winning bidder plus two guests**) at the Shinnecock Hills Golf Club.

Founded in 1891, Shinnecock is one of the historic golfing institutions in the United States and has long been recognized as one of the top courses of the world. In 1995 the 100th anniversary of the U.S. Open was held at Shinnecock, and again in 2004 and 2018. Mutually agreed dates within 18 months.

Includes:

-Green fees and lunch



DONATED BY SILAS ANTHONY JR

Lot 11 – North Shore (Chicago) Trifecta Golf Outing

This is probably the first time this opportunity has been offered.

The successful bidder and 3 guests to join Ally Bulley, Max Drake, Peter Dunne and Rob Silvay to conquer on a **single weekday** the following legendary North Shore golf courses:

Old Elm Club



Onwentsia Club



Shoreacres



This is a one-day mini-marathon, not for the weary. Walkers only, no carts. **Mutually agreeable weekday in June or July 2019.**

Includes:

- Green fees, caddie fees
- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner



DONATED BY A. BULLEY, M. DRAKE, P. DUNNE and R. SILVAY

Lot 12 – USCTA National Sponsorship Program

Support the U.S. Professionals. We are fortunate to have the best professionals in the world working in the U.S. and want to do all we can to support them. As part of its effort to support professionals, earlier this year the USCTA launched a national sponsorship program.

Two sponsors have come on board so far for the 2018/19 season and several companies and individuals are currently considering it. Sponsorship funds are added to the prize money for the U.S. Open, National Open, U.S. Professional Singles playing for the Schochet Cup, Ladies U.S. Open and the USCTA National League.

Please help us support our professionals and raise your hand for Lot 12.



U.S. Professional Singles playing for the Schochet Cup – Newport, June 2018



National League Match - Chicago, October 2018