



## COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM

**SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2014 - 2PM  
PURYEAR PARK, ST. PETERSBURG**

\$2.00

**6th  
Anniversary  
Event**

**NJAA/ST. PETE JAI-ALAI**



# BUSTER'S

## Courtside Grill & Pro Shop

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570 Lee St. NE  
Puryear Park



Mazzaro's Pizza cooked in authentic pizza oven



Grilled Cheeseburgers



Grilled Hot Dogs

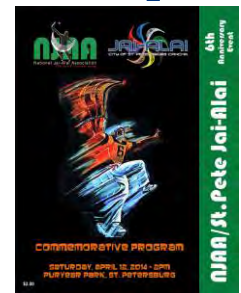
# Food • Drinks • Pro Shop



Jai-alai Baskets



"Matt" Balls



Programs

St. Pete Jai-alai / NJAA			
			
Front	Back		
White with blue lettering	M/L/XL \$7	XXL \$8	XXXL \$9

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All profits  
will go to  
our volunteers



# Welcome to the NJAA's 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event!

Today marks the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Grand Opening of America's first public jai-alai court. Over 6,000 games have been played and hundreds of players have participated in game action over the past 6 years here. Before the court was built, jai-alai had been played on a "makeshift" court for about 25 years.

More court renovations are coming with the help of **Scott King, Eric L, Paul Kubala**, the **City of St. Petersburg** and the city's Weeki Wachee funds. See page 9 of this program for more details. Without their help, none of this would be possible. The world's oldest and fastest sport will live forever with all your support!

Today's event once again will feature 25 players with 14 games on the schedule, all played to 9 points. The games will not feature the 8 teams in all the games like last year, and all games are handicapped. Once again, a singles games will be devoted to former pro players, with former Tampa and Miami star player "**Daniel**" making his NJAA debut. This year, two of our homegrown players will not be able to participate – **Rocco** and **Sebio** - as they are playing on the Orlando Jai-alai roster with a late start this season. Former Newport players **Lou** and **Denver** are returning to play in the event. Former Tampa star frontcourter and NJAA ambassador, Scott King will be playing today. Former Olympic champion **Dave "The Crab" Sellers** is also in the lineup.

Jai-alai legend **Sarmiento** will be celebrating his 86<sup>th</sup> birthday today with us. He was the top ITM player the first two years at Tampa Jai-alai in 1953 and 1954. He won the first singles game ever played there and his image was used in the Encyclopedia Britannica for decades.

Other jai-alai stars that will be in attendance include former Tampa star players **Churruca** and Jose **Goitia**, author of the book "The Other Side of the Screen". Former Tampa jai-alai basket maker **Javier** will also be in attendance. So if you need a new basket or a repair, he is the guy to see.

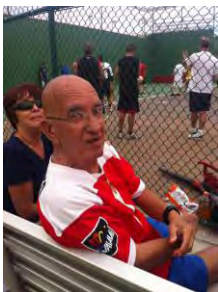
Once again we will have some great food prepared courtside. This year we feature fresh pizza from **Mazzaro's** cooked on an authentic pizza oven - on-site. Cheeseburgers, hot dogs, sodas, water, and various snacks will also be available. All profits go to our hard working volunteers. A pro shop will also be open, featuring shirts, jai-alai baskets and "Matt" balls.

On the morning of the event, ABC Action News 28 will have coverage of our NJAA court with **John Thomas, Ashley Glass**, and **Bill Logan** all taking a stab at playing jai-alai. Their filming of the story will be the Saturday before the event – April 5<sup>th</sup> at 11am, but will air the morning of the 12<sup>th</sup> to better help promote the event.

Thanks for coming, and enjoy the event. Long live jai-alai!



## Sarmiento



Sarmiento will celebrate his 86<sup>th</sup> birthday today. He won the first singles game ever played at Tampa Jai-alai in 1953.

## Daniel



Daniel, a former two-time triple crown winner, is a native of Clearwater Beach and just moved back to Pinellas county.

## Goitia



Goitia was born in the Basque village of Marquina. His career started in Dania in 1966 and included 10 years in Tampa.

## ABC News 28 Coverage Taping April 5th - Air Date April 12th in the Morning

### WFTS TAMPA BAY



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### WFTS TAMPA BAY



# Game 1

**Singles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 2pm)

1st  
2nd  
3rd

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Armando	
2 BLUE	Neel	
3 WHITE	Denver	
4 GREEN	Rick D	
5 BLACK	Laca	
6 YELLOW	Chris	
7 BROWN	Mike	
SUB	No subs	

Pedro - 7-6-5

Jacques - 7-5-6

# Game 2

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 2:25pm)

1st  
2nd  
3rd

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Lou / Paul H	
2 BLUE	Armando / Chris	
3 WHITE	Eric L / Laca	
4 GREEN	Rick D / Denver	
5 BLACK	Mike / Neel	
SUBS	Kyle / Thomas	

Pedro - 3-5-2

Jacques - 3-5-1

# Game 3

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 2:50pm)

1st  
2nd  
3rd

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Armando / Paul H	
2 BLUE	Rick D / Neel	
3 WHITE	Mike / Denver	
4 GREEN	Lou / Laca	
5 BLACK	P Castanos / Thomas	
SUBS	Eric L / Chip	

Pedro - 5-4-3

Jacques - 5-4-3

# Game 4

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 3:15pm)

1st  
2nd  
3rd

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Lou / Neel	
2 BLUE	Rick D / Paul H	
3 WHITE	Armando / Laca	
4 GREEN	Mike / Thomas	
5 BLACK	Eric L / Chip	
SUBS	P Castanos / King	

Pedro - 4-5-1

Jacques - 5-4-1



Orlando Jai-Alai

# Game 5

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 3:40pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Lou / Thomas	
2 BLUE	Eric L / Paul H	
3 WHITE	Mike / Chip	
4 GREEN	Kyle / King	
5 BLACK	P Castanos / Chris	
SUBS	Rick D / Laca	

Pedro - 4-3-5

Jacques - 3-4-5

# Game 6

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 4:05pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Lou / King	
2 BLUE	Rule / Chris	
3 WHITE	Kullster / Daniel	
4 GREEN	Eric L / Thomas	
5 BLACK	Mark / Chip	
SUBS	Mike / Laca	

Pedro - 5-3-2

Jacques - 5-3-1

# Game 7

**Singles**  
Ex-Pros only  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 4:30pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Denver	
2 BLUE	Lou	
3 WHITE	Daniel	
4 GREEN	Scott K	
SUB	No subs (unless Paul B is added)	

Pedro - 4-3-2

Jacques - 4-3-2

# Game 8

**Singles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 4:55pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
1 RED	Crab	
2 BLUE	King	
3 WHITE	P Castanos	
4 GREEN	Rule	
5 BLACK	Kullster	
6 YELLOW	Kyle	
SUBS	No subs	

Pedro - 4-6-5

Jacques - 1-6-3

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## Scenes from the Grand Opening 6 Years Ago



Mark Beiro hosted the grand opening event attended by hundreds.



The entire city of St. Pete's city council was on hand for the worlds longest ribbon cutting event.



Then mayor of St. Pete, Rick Baker throwing the first pelota.

## Scenes from last year



# Game 9

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 5:20pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
<b>1</b> RED	Kyle / P Castanos	
<b>2</b> BLUE	Eric L / Crab	
<b>3</b> WHITE	Kullster / Chip	
<b>4</b> GREEN	Rule / Daniel	
<b>5</b> BLACK	Anthony / King	
<b>SUB</b>	Mark / Julio	

Pedro - 4-5-1

Jacques - 3-1-4

# Game 10

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 5:45pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
<b>1</b> RED	Rule / Crab	
<b>2</b> BLUE	Anthony / Daniel	
<b>3</b> WHITE	Julio / Eric M	
<b>4</b> GREEN	Scott K / George	
<b>SUBS</b>	Mark / Kyle	

Pedro - 3-4-2

Jacques - 2-4-1

# Game 11

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 6:10pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
<b>1</b> RED	Kullster / Erick M	
<b>2</b> BLUE	Scott K / Crab	
<b>3</b> WHITE	Mark / Daniel	
<b>4</b> GREEN	Anthony / Julio	
<b>SUB</b>	Rule / George	

Pedro - 4-3-2

Jacques - 4-3-2

# Game 12

**Singles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 6:40pm)

1st	
2nd	
3rd	

POST	PLAYERS	POINTS
<b>1</b> RED	Eric M	
<b>2</b> BLUE	George	
<b>3</b> WHITE	Anthony	
<b>4</b> GREEN	Mark	
<b>5</b> BLACK	Julio	
<b>6</b> YELLOW	Scott K	
<b>SUBS</b>	No Subs	

Pedro - 6-5-1

Jacques - 4-6-5



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# Game 13

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 7:05pm)

1st

2nd

3rd

POST	PLAYER		POINTS
<b>1</b> RED	Julio	/ P Castanos	
<b>2</b> BLUE	Anthony	/ Eric M	
<b>3</b> WHITE	Scott K	/ Kyle	
<b>4</b> GREEN	Mark	/ George	
<b>SUB</b>	Kullster	/ Crab	

Pedro - 2-4-3

Jacques - 3-1-2

# Game 14

**Doubles**  
9 straight points  
(Aprox. 7:30pm)

1st

2nd

3rd

POST	PLAYERS		POINTS
<b>1</b> RED	Mark	/ Rule	
<b>2</b> BLUE	Julio	/ George	
<b>3</b> WHITE	Anthony	/ Kyle	
<b>4</b> GREEN	Scott K	/ Eric M	
<b>SUBS</b>	Kullster	/ Crab	

Pedro - 4-1-1

Jacques - 1-3-2



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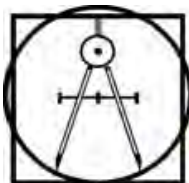
# Latest Court News

## Court improvements to city of St. Pete proposed by NJAA



### Proposed list of Renovations / Repairs

<b>Expansion of court</b> - Removal of existing front wall. Relocation of existing high chain link fence and double gate, and expansion of the overhead netting. We would also request a three headed light fixtures in lieu of the single head fixture atop the existing light pole currently in place.	<b>Rejected</b>
<b>Surface crack repair</b> - Epoxy and repair all concrete surface cracks. primarily on the floor slab.	<b>In the works</b>
<b>Resurfacing of court</b> - Grinding and smoothing of floor finish, re-painting of court (this includes the out of bounds area) and re-stripping.	<b>In the works</b>
<b>Widening of front and back court walls</b> - Expanding of the existing masonry walls (both the front and the back) out to the right side out of bounds line.	<b>In the works</b>
<b>Additional fencing along south side of court</b> - Extension of the existing chain link fence to a higher top elevation, to prevent balls from leaving the court area.	<b>In the works</b>
<b>Sun shade over the seating area</b> - Install a tension canopy structure, similar to those installed at the surrounding soccer field bleachers, for sun shading.	<b>In the works</b>
<b>Electrical receptacles</b> - Install two double gang electrical receptacles in weather proof enclosures (one near the back wall and one on the south side at the base of the light pole). This would assist in providing power for our computerized scoring system.	<b>Rejected</b>
<b>Front wall padding</b> - Installation of a red pad (approximately 2" high) along the front wall underneath the low foul shot line.	<b>In the works</b>
<b>Extended netting</b> - New and expanded netting will be added over the front wall area to further prevent even wilder throws from leaving the court.	<b>In the works</b>



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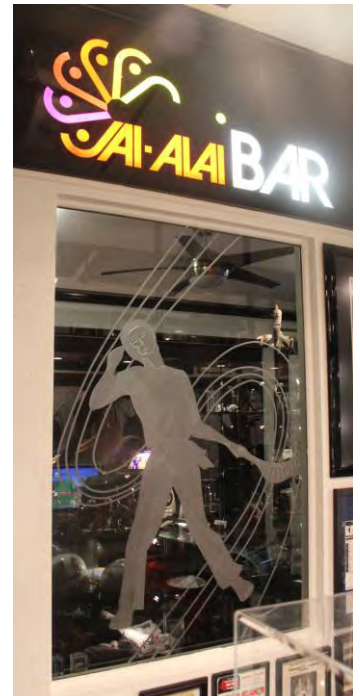
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# NJAA Roster



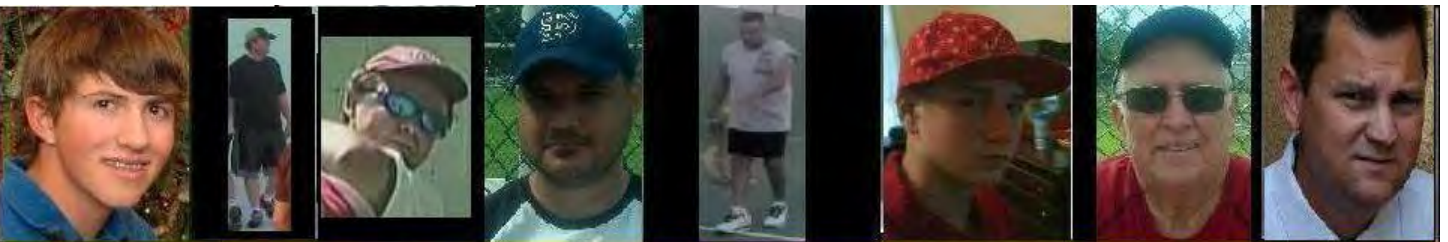
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