#### **GRAND SLAM TEAM 2025**

(Formerly 50<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Team)

June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 22<sup>nd</sup> (26<sup>th</sup> days) or July 13 (17 days)

Note: This will be a mixed team in ability levels with both school varsity players and ranked players as we have done in several past summers. The Prague and Spanish tournaments will count toward your UTR rating in the States.

## Wimbledon, London: June 28<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>

#### YOUR DREAMS OF SEEING WIMBLEDON CAN COME TRUE!

- We see Wimbledon on the very first day when all the courts on the grounds are in action. We wander the grounds and see a number of top matches. In past summers, we even got some top players' autographs at the practice courts or after matches.
- We spend Saturday and most of Sunday visiting the Westminster area of the city, featuring interesting sights including the Parliament buildings, Westminster Abby and 10 Downing Street, home of the Prime Minister.
- We also visit the Tower of London, Tower Bridge, Leicester and Piccadilly Squares and Buckingham Palace.
- We have our first practice of the trip at Bishop's Park Tennis Club near our hotel in order to prepare for our first tournaments.

### Prague, The Czech Republic: July 1<sup>st</sup> – July 6<sup>th</sup>

• Our tennis tournaments begin in Prague with a 3 day age group under 18 singles and doubles. Depending on the Czech schedule, we may also have a second junior tournament. Last summer, we played more matches In Prague than any other location. Our housing is in a comfortable 3-4 star apartment suite or hotel which is a short ride from our practice courts at the Oaza Tennis Club and from one of Prague's major shopping malls.

- Prague is one of the most popular European destinations, a city of red rooftops and Golden spires, scenic hills and enduring landmarks. Prague is a youthful city, home to many semester abroad high school and college students.
- Major sights include Prague Castle, the Old Town Square and clock, the medieval Charles Bridge and Old Jewish Quarter, including Europe's oldest synagogue and cemetery. We may have a professional sightseeing tour during our stay.

## Utrecht, Holland July 6<sup>th</sup> (evening) – July 13<sup>th</sup>

- This junior tournament is in a picturesque small town near Utrecht and has been voted best stop on our trip for many years now. We are warmly welcomed by the friendly Dutch with a tournament which also offers some socializing throughout the week.
- Plenty of match play with under 17 singles and either doubles or mixed doubles, which in past summers has been in a round robin format, assuring, win or lose, lots of matches.
- Players have the opportunity to visit Amsterdam later in the week to see the Anne Frank house, the Riksmuseum, City Hall and the walking street.

# Those traveling with us for the shorter time period will fly back to the USA from Amsterdam on Sunday July 13<sup>th</sup>.

### Castelldefels and Barcelona, Spain: July 13th – July 22nd

• We will play a junior tournament in a suburb of Barcelona, with under 14, 16 and 18 singles, depending on your year of birth. Our higher ranked players and those born in 2007 and 2008 will also enter another challenging

tournament with mens or ladies singles. Spain of course is one of the top tennis countries in the world. You will also have the opportunity to practice your Spanish throughout the week.

- We house at a 3 star hotel in the resort town of Castelldefels, 20 minutes south of Barcelona. We are within walking distance of the Canal Olimpic water sports center, built for the 1992 Barcelona Olympics, which offers various water sports from water skiing to boogie boarding. The town offers a wide variety of restaurants and shops, along with sandy beaches on the Mediterranean.
- Later in the week, we will visit Barcelona to see Gaudi's La Sagrada Familia Church, the unfinished masterpiece of architect Antonio Gaudi, recently voted Europe's #1 sightseeing attraction by the travel media. Our church visit will include a professional guided tour. We also walk the famous Ramblas, stopping at the marketplace and the Old City, with its Gothic cathedral.
- We also take in the harbor mall and the upscale Gran Via with its Gaudi apartments and shopping stores. Barcelona is a world class city with all its history, delicious food and amazing sights...a great way to finish our Tennis: Europe trip !

We fly back to the USA from Barcelona on TUESDAY JULY 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **Pricing:**

Full Trip - \$ 10,600 (26 days) including Wimbledon

Short Trip - \$ 7,299 (17 days) including Wimbledon