

THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club
May 2006



Charles Kearney...
the score says it all.

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, I have gotten my wish. The last time I wrote this column I was looking out on rain pouring down outside the window. Today I'm looking out and it's a beautiful day. I'm happy to say no more rain! Which means that this will be a short message as I'm planning on getting out there and enjoying the day.



Shari Gonzalez
2006 WCRC President

First order of business is an update to the club on a change in our Membership Chair position. After several years of serving as our Membership Chairperson, **Marty Tedlock** has decided to step down. Not only did Marty handle all of the details of managing our membership database, but he also regularly helped in running our annual Awards Event and helped to run several other tournaments as well over the past few years. Marty is well known for his bartending skills at these events! In addition, Marty was also a key contributor in converting our membership database to an Internet based application, making it easier for members to sign-up for events, pay membership dues and track down other member's contact information. I know that I represent both the board and the club in saying thank you to Marty for your years of service and dedication to the board and the club.

Pege Amann has volunteered to take over the Membership Chairperson position going forward. Pege has been a member of the racquet club for several years and I'm very excited to welcome her to the board.

On another note, I have to say that I am completely in awe of **Pam Maloney, Susie Dunlap** and **Bob Walgren** for pulling off the Winter Doubles tournament over a single weekend during what has become one of the rainiest spring seasons in memory. Pam, Susie and Bob, along with a cadre of helpers really did an outstanding job of managing the event and getting it completed. While I didn't play in the tourney, I stopped by and enjoyed the Saturday BBQ and watched some great tennis – it was fun to finally see some action after all of the rain! Please see the Winter Doubles League article in the newsletter for results. Also, wanted to extend a thank-you to the other club members who helped to BBQ, squeeze courts, run the tournament desk and setup the tournament including: **Neal Dawson, Pauline Hanley, Rita Utz and Caroline Spady's entire USTA team, otherwise known as The Loyal Ones.**

And in other WCRC league news, registration for the Summer Singles season is now open. If you're interested in playing please make sure to sign-up at www.wcrc.net/events/index.asp before May 28th (on-line only), deadline for mail registrations is May 14th.

Also, in case you hadn't noticed, there are no more bird droppings on the court! The anti-pigeon hardware was put up

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early in April and several members watched in amusement as the birds flew in for the first time and tried to land on the light stands, only to be deterred. I'd like to thank the city of Walnut Creek, **Jim Farber**, **Gabe Goldstein** and **Nat Bitton** for helping to get this implemented. Now we can really enjoy the dropping-free courts.



Finally, I was down at the Farms yesterday and heard the unofficial report that the Men's 3.0 and Women's 3.0 Senior teams were doing quite well at the District championships being held at Stanford University. Don't have the official results at this point, but hopefully by the next newsletter we will have those results as well as the results of the Mixed Doubles Districts being held this month. Congratulations to Debbie Hellmann's 7.0 Mixed team for clinching the District playoff spot for that always competitive division (think there were 15 regular season matches!).

Well, as promised I'm off to enjoy the sunshine. See you on the courts.

Shari

MEMORIAL TO DOUG COLLIER

Dear Doug,

You would have truly loved and highly approved of the sunrise (well, actually, it was a little earlier than sunrise, started at 5:30 a.m.) memorial service held in your honor on April 30, 2006, here at Heather Farms. It was a grand morning with your parents, (by the way, your mother wrote one heck of a poem about you which was read at the memorial), your siblings, your beautiful and strong wife, Karen, with a big smile for everyone, your dear sweet innocent son, Austin (age 12), daughter, Alyssa (age 14), young friends of Austin and Alyssa, and your loyal 100 plus tennis players, and friends in attendance. All of whom were proud and enriched having known you and your love. People were saying: you were one heck of an athlete, be it baseball, basketball or tennis, you always gave it 110%, and you had time to give your family 200%, and your friends another 110%. How did you do it? You were extraordinary in every endeavor you undertook, even in your last battle, giving it your all with a smile and undying will and determination to beat it! We thank you for leaving behind your determination and will for us to continue to do our best, be it in baseball, basketball, tennis, and life.

Thank you, Doug Collier. We know part of you remains here with us at Heather Farms!

Love, Your friends at Heather Farms



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WINTER DOUBLES TOURNAMENT



Thanks to Pam Maloney and Bob Walgren for running yet another wonderful tournament!



WINTER DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

WOMEN'S



3.0

Nidhi Bhatnagar and Chris Kline def.
Pege Amann and Pamela Bird 5-7, 6-4, 1-0.



3.5

Nancy DeSchane and Kathy Williams def.
Balbir Louis and Genny DeCoste 6-2, 6-2.



4.0

Kim Wirtz and Lana Kaiser def.
Nancy DeSchane and Suzanne Beck 1-6, 6-3, 1-0.

Not Pictured: 4.5/5.0

Chris Ramsower-Pearlstein and Mary Claire Simpson
def. Marianne Dunddon and Jennifer Rowen 6-4, 6-4.

MEN'S



3.0

Max Sylver and Dean Frakes def.
Jim Karas and Oscar Estante 4-6, 6-2, 1-0.



3.5

Bill Ogden and Larry Fredricks def.
Mark Warrender and Paul Krout 6-4, 2-6, 1-0



4.5

Gary Harris and
Jesse Gonzalez def.
Artem Melnik and
Michael Balg 6-2, 6-3.

4.0

Ephraim Untal and
Jerry Garcia def.
Bill Charters and Mark
Traylor 6-2, 6-0.





2006 Men's and Women's Summer Singles Leagues Registration Form



Full Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ Zip _____
 Home Phone _____
 Work Phone _____
 Cell Phone _____
 Email _____

T-shirt Size M L XL XXL
 T-shirt Type Regular V-neck* Tank top*

*V-neck and tank top in women's style only

Current Rating: 2.5 4.5
 3.0 5.0
 3.5 5.5
 4.0

I would like to enter the following division:

- Women's 2.5 Men's 3.0
- Women's 3.0 Men's 3.5
- Women's 3.5 Men's 4.0
- Women's 4.0 Men's 4.5
- Women's 4.5-5.0 Men's 5.0-5.5

I am a: WCRC Member (\$26)
 Non-Member (\$36)

If you register on line:

- WCRC Member (\$25)
- Non-Member (\$35)

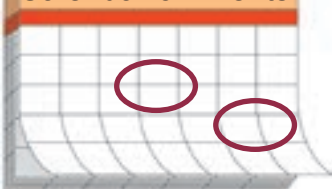
I am available to play matches:

- Weekday days Weekend mornings
- Weekday evenings Weekend afternoons

Dates: June 5th - September 24th
 Entry Fee: \$26 for WCRC Members
 \$36 for non-members
 Format: Men's Singles/Women's Singles
 Divisions: Men's 3.0 - 5.5
 Women's 2.5 - 5.0
 Scheduling: 12 scheduled matches to be
 completed over 15 week season.
 Players are responsible for sched-
 uling their own matches. Players
 will be provided with a contact
 list of participants in their division.
 Match Format: Best two-out-of-three set format.
 12 point tiebreaker. Both players
 responsible for bringing new balls to
 match. Winner gets unopened can.
 Match Site: Any site mutually agreed upon
 Scoring: The winner is responsible for
 reporting the match score by logging
 on to www.wcrc.net.
 Standings: Division standing will be updated on
 a real time basis as scores are posted
 Tournament: End-of-season tournament with draw
 determined by league standings.
 Oct. 6-8 & Oct. 13-15
 Match Min.: 6 matches
 Deadline: May 14, 2006
 Checks to: WCRC
 PO Box 4574
 Walnut Creek, CA 94596
 Or Online: www.wcrc.net

Registration Deadline: May 14
Register on line at www.wcrc.net and save \$1.00

Calendar of Events



**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

May

Sign up for WCRC's Summer Singles League

- 1** USTA Super Senior 60 Team Registration Opens
- 5-7** 2005 USTA Mixed Doubles Districts
- 7** USTA 50 Mixed Team Registration Closed
- 12-13** Calcutta Party and Tournament
- 19-21** 2005 USTA Senior Sectionals, Carmel
- 22** USTA 50 Mixed Season Opens

Jun

WCRC's Summer Singles League Opens

- 4** USTA Super Seniors 60 Team Registration Closed
- 5** WCRC's Summer Singles League Opens
- 3-4** 2005 USTA Mixed Doubles Sectionals
- 12** USTA Combo Doubles Team Registration Open

Jul

- 3** USTA Super Seniors 60 Season Opens
- 9** USTA Combo Doubles Team Registration Closed

Aug

- 4-6** USTA Adult Season Districts
- 7** USTA Combo Doubles Season Opens
- 11-13** USTA Adult Season Districts
- 25-27** USTA Adult Season Sectionals

Sept

- 8-10** 2007 USTA Senior Team Registration Opens
- 8-10** WCRC Singles and Doubles Club Championship Tournament – Round I
- 15-17** WCRC Singles and Doubles Club Championship Tournament – Round II

**TREASURER'S
REPORT**

Gabe Goldstein

Income Statement:
as of March 31, 2006



Income

Awards Banquet	3,845.00
MardiGras	380.00
Winter Doubles League '06	1,696.00
Interest	5.79
Advertising Income	50.00
Membership Dues	9,115.00
Board Dinner	182.00

Total Income **\$ 15,273.79**

Expenses

Mardi Gras Tournament	324.16
Winter Doubles	1,883.25
Award Banquet	6,320.86
Commission	166.72
Bank Service Charge	12.00
Light Fund	3,000.00
Newsletter - Court Reporter	1,701.56
Barbecue	215.41
Postage	7.80
Supplies	578.31
Website	240.00
Calcutta Tournament	300.00

Total Expenses **\$ 14,750.07**

Profit (Loss) **\$ 523.72**

Balance March 31, 2006 **\$10,916.65**

If you are looking to advertise,
submit an article or photograph
for an upcoming newsletter,
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at 925-957-0604 or email her at
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**Deadline for the June issue is
Friday, May 26th.**



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Sectionals Bound...

Mary Waltz's Senior 3.0 Women's Team

*(l-r): Captain Mary Waltz, Corinne Campbell,
Leona Bingaman, Nancy LeSage, Shawne Pecar,
Jeanne Sommer and Alice Adachi*



Ron Huxley's Senior 3.0 Men's Team

*back row (l-r): John Carr, Darrel Fiske,
middle row (l-r): Frank Concepcion, Dave Sperry,
Dave Iversen, Charlie Scudiere,
front row (l-r) Captain Ron Huxley and Ron Frazier*