



THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club
April, 2021

Tal Yahud following protocols during masked doubles at Heather Farm.

Luckily for us they have lifted the mask ordinance.

photo by Garvin Tom

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy Spring!

Hello Tennis Players!

We are happy to welcome the warm weather, enjoy longer days, and play maskless doubles! Masks still need to be worn off the courts and social distancing needs to be observed.



Sally Krapf
2021 WCRC President

We have seen more and more players coming out to HF to play singles and doubles lately and it's great to see everyone.

If you are looking to play more tennis the Winter Doubles and WING singles leagues are both open for match play. Our very popular Summer Singles League opens April 17th. You can find the Winter Doubles League Form on page 6 and the Summer Singles League Form on the back cover!

USTA also recently announced upcoming Adult Leagues: 18+, 55+ and 65+. All three leagues will have registration open on April 5th with league play starting May 10th. So if you are looking to captain a team, start getting your players lined up!

Stay safe, play tennis, and have fun!

Sally Krapf

M EMBERSHIP



Membership questions contact:
Pam Maloney at 925-787-3970 or
email at: pam4tenis@gmail.com

Welcome to Our 5 New Members Current Membership: 1267

Brad Berdow	Walnut Creek	3.0
Danielle Chinn	Walnut Creek	N.A.
Timothy Chong	Walnut Creek	3.5
Masaru Onoda	Martinez	N.A.
Wendy Thomas	Alamo	3.0



Lifetime Activities

What's Happening at the Courts?

OPERATING HOURS AT WCTC

Monday – Friday: 1am-10:00pm • Saturday & Sunday: 8am-8pm

Universal Tennis Rating (UTR)

Starting in 2021, Lifetime Activities has partnered with UTR to bring a more dynamic rating system to our lessons and to our players. For more information on what UTR is and how its calculated please visit their website at www.myutr.com/.

Northgate High School

Due to the return of high school tennis, the Northgate high school lower four courts will remain closed during the Spring Monday-Friday until further notice. Thank you for your patience and we hope to be opening those courts during the weekdays soon.

Pro Shop is Open!

Our Pro shop is now open to the all players. Come on down and check out all of our NEW HEAD racquets, bags, and accessories!

Update to Court Rules

At this time, we are allowing Singles and Doubles tennis, and recommend that masks be worn during play. Mask are required to be worn when not actively playing. Social gatherings and sharing of food/drinks is not permitted on the facility grounds. Pickleball doubles is allowed, but a mask is required to be properly worn over the nose and mouth during play. For any further questions regarding court rules please call our office.

Youth and Adult Spring Classes

Spring Session 2 of our classes starts April 26th, and spots are filling up quickly. To find more information or to register, please visit our website at www.Lifetimeactivities.com.

Visit us online at www.lifetimeactivities.com or stop by the the office at 1751 Heather Drive.
Please call with any questions at 925-945-0105.

Member Spotlight

Tina Sorensen

They Came for the Tennis and Stayed for the Cheesecake!

Interview and article by Lynne Weinschelbaum.

As an effort to get to know our membership the Board has decided to start a new monthly column "Member Spotlight". We will be interviewing WCRC members and getting to know them. This article will help us find out how they got introduced to tennis, their background, any favorite memories, etc. We hope you enjoy this new commentary.

Tina Sorensen was born and raised in Burlingame, California along with her sister and brother. Since her father was a tennis player, the family joined the Peninsula Tennis Club. Initially the appeal of the club was the swimming pool where she would go to swim after school. With her father's encouragement, Tina began taking tennis lessons when she was 8 years old. Her father was a very accomplished tennis player. He was nationally ranked and played in many US tournaments and one in Guatemala.



Tina played on her junior high school tennis team and competed in local tournaments.

She also played on her club's Jr Wightman Cup team. The Jr Wightman Cup is for girls 18 and under and is the counterpart of the Jr Davis Cup which is for boys 18 and under. It is actually quite an honor to be selected to play on one of the teams. Since her father played in tournaments almost every weekend and her mother worked on weekends, Tina did not have the parental support she needed to play in tournaments of her own and compete at the level she wanted to. Tina therefore decided to quit playing tennis when she was 14.

After high school Tina went to UC Davis where she earned a degree in genetics with a minor in nutrition. She then

married and had three sons. Tina very bravely home schooled the boys until they went to high school. She used the concept of unschooling and the popular book by John Holt called Teach Your Own to help her get started. Unschooling involves teaching children based on their interests rather than a set curriculum. She and the boys went on field trips, joined the 4H club and much to the delight of their neighbors, owned very talkative geese. She also ran a bookkeeping consulting company for 30 years which she could do at home while home schooling her boys.



One of Tina's passions is cooking using organic ingredients. She owned a café and catering service for 5 years when the family lived in Antioch. She loves to make organic comfort food and, yes, that includes cheesecake! And when she brings the cheesecake to her matches it is an instant hit and everyone stays for the cheesecake.

When Tina remarried, she and the boys moved to Walnut Creek and joined her new (she says 'amazing') husband and his two sons. As a way to learn more about their new home, Tina and one of her sons started taking tennis lessons at Valley Vista. Eventually she began taking lessons at Heather Farm from my old friend Monica Ruiz. Monica encouraged



Tina to join a USTA team in order to meet other players and improve her game. Tina joined Glenn McBee's 7.5 mixed team where she met Myrl who asked her to join her combo team. She also met Pru on the mixed team and was hooked when she realized how friendly and fun the players are at Heather Farm. She also began playing on day leagues out of Heather Farm with Carolyn Spady.

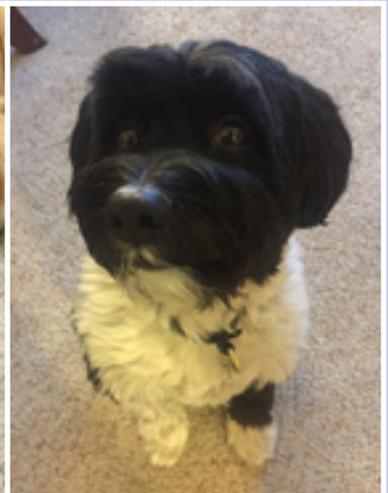
In 2018 Tina captained a 4.0 women's 40+ team to nationals which was a thrill for herself as well as her teammates. Tina says they finished in the middle of the pack but what made it special was the camaraderie of her players who were not only good

people but displayed great sportsmanship.

Tina and her husband enjoy hiking in the Diablo hills with their 2 dogs (a golden retriever and a Tibetan terrier). She also enjoys playing doubles with her son Austin Steele and her daughter-in-law Melissa Heng Steele. It was through tennis that Tina met Melissa and then introduced her to her son. More love at Heather Farm!



We hope to see you out captaining more USTA teams very soon Tina. In the meantime, keep baking that cheesecake!



WCRC Men's & Women's 2021 Winter Doubles League Registration Form (Also on-line at www.wcrc.net)

PLAYER 1

PLAYER 2

Name		
Mailing Address		
City		
ZIP Code		
Home Phone		
Work or Cell Phone		
E-mail address		
NTRP level		
WCRC Member?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

Division for which you are registering (please check one): NTRP (check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's 3.0
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's 3.5
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's 4.0
<input type="checkbox"/> Men's 4.5/5.0 | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's 2.5/3.0
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's 3.5
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's 4.0
<input type="checkbox"/> Women's 4.5/5.0 |
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Registration Fees (note - if you are interested in joining the Racquet Club, please download a membership form from <http://www.wcrc.net/about/membership.htm> and return it with this application):

- * \$50 per team (both Walnut Creek Racquet Club Members) • \$40 per team for on-line registration
- * \$60 per team (one WCRC Member, one non-member) • \$50 per team for on-line registration
- * \$70 per team (both non WCRC members) • \$60 per team for on-line registration

If you would like to register by mail, return this form with a check for registration fees (payable to Walnut Creek Racquet Club **NOT** WCRC) mail to: Walnut Creek Racquet Club, 224 Farm Ln., Martinez, CA 94553.

Questions? Call Garvin Tom at (209) 969-5445 or via e-mail gtom12@hotmail.com

League Information: Players may enter the WCRC Winter Doubles League in more than one division (i.e. 3.0 and 3.5), as long as he/she is playing at or above his/her level. If a player is entering in more than one division, he/she may enter with the same partner or a different partner but may not enter with different partners at the same level.

The league runs from March 22, 2021 - July 30, 2021. The tournament TBD based on Covid protocols.

Once League play is complete and registration for the end-of-League Tournament begins, a player may **NOT** enter the Tournament at more than one level. **No exceptions will be made.**

CALENDER OF EVENTS 2021

Apr

Apr 5	USTA 18+ Team Registration Opens
Apr 5	USTA 55+ Team Registration Opens
Apr 5	USTA 65+ Team Registration Opens
Apr 16	WCRC WING Singles League Closes
Apr 7-May 31	WCRC WING Singles Playoffs
Apr 17	WCRC Summer Singles League Opens
Apr 19	USTA 18+ Team Registration Closes
Apr 19	USTA 55+ Team Registration Closes
Apr 19	USTA 65+ Team Registration Closes

May

May 10	USTA 18+ Team League Opens
May 10	USTA 55+ Team League Opens
May 10	USTA 65+ Team League Opens

WCRC LEAGUES

WING Singles	Closes April 16 Playoffs April 17 - May 31
Winter Doubles	March 22 - July 30
Summer Singles	April 17 - September 12

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cara Mia Barnacascel
January - February, 2021



Income	
League Dues	0.00
WING Singles	\$489.76
Total League Dues	\$489.76
Membership Dues	\$339.00
Total Income	\$828.76
GROSS PROFIT	
	\$828.76
Expenses	
League Expenses	0.00
Summer Singles Expenses	0.00
Summer Singles Player Gifts	\$667.64
Total Summer Singles Expenses	\$667.64
Total League Expenses	\$667.64
Office Supplies	\$13.64
Printing and Reproduction	0.00
Newsletter Printing	\$28.06
Total Printing and Reproduction	\$28.06
Website	\$199.85
Total Expenses	\$909.19
Net Operating Income	-\$80.43
Net Income	-\$80.43

Balance through February, 2021 \$50,145.79



2021 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 3.0 Men's 3.0

Women's 3.5 Men's 3.5

Women's 4.0 Men's 4.0

Women's 4.5/5.0 Men's 4.5/5.0

Women's 50+ (3.0-5.0) Men's 50+ (3.0-5.0)

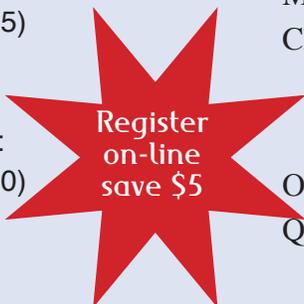
50+ Division is 1 flight with ALL levels (3.0 - 5.0)

I am a: WCRC Member (\$25)
 Non-Member (\$35)

If you register on line per bracket:

WCRC Member (\$20)

Non-Member (\$30)



Dates: April 17th - September 12th

Entry Fee: \$25 for WCRC Members (per bracket)
 \$35 for non-members (per bracket)

Format: Men's Singles/Women's Singles

Divisions: Men's 3.0 - 4.5/5.0
 Women's 3.0 - 4.5/5.0

Scheduling: This is an open schedule. Players are responsible for scheduling their own matches. Players will be provided with a contact list of participants within their division.

Match Format: Best best two out of three sets. When opponents agree, a super tiebreaker (10 point) can be used in lieu of the third set. 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.
 Round of 64: 9/20-9/26 (by arrangement)
 Round of 32: 9/27-10/3 (by arrangement)
 Round of 16: 10/4-10/10 (by arrangement)
 Quarters: 10/11 - 10/22 (by arrangement)
 Semi-finals: 10/23 (onsite)
 Finals 10/24 (onsite)
 A minimum of 4 players are required to generate a draw.

Match Min.: 6 matches

Checks to: Walnut Creek Racquet Club (**NOT** WCRC)
 c/o Cameron Coltharp
 336 Blue Ridge Drive
 Martinez, CA 94553

Or Online: www.wcrc.net/login

Questions: camcoltharp@gmail.com
 510-717-2107

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