



# THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the  
Walnut Creek Racquet Club

October 2004

**Steve Martinez serves while Alan Bender waits for the return volley.**

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## THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### What to Say???



Pam Maloney  
2004 WCRC President

Each month, as time for our newsletter rolls around, I and the other Board members get an email from **Tammie Snyder** reminding us of the deadline and the information we need to send her. And, almost every month, I'm late! Tammie is a champ about it though. She doesn't make us feel guilty for having fallen down on the job and somehow she gets the newsletter out and you all benefit ... I think.

Well, this month isn't any different but I'm having a particularly tough time figuring out what to tell you. So, I'm just going to pass along some thoughts and ideas I've gotten from different sources.

First, I reported a few months ago about some progress I thought we were making with the City on a shade structure for the area at Heather where the big oak tree used to be. I guess I was naive in telling you this because **Jim Farber** told me he's been trying to get the same thing for a few years.

Live and learn! Anyway, the City has lots of priorities and they are considering it but I don't think it's high on the list of "to dos."

I'd also like to remind team captains (USTA, CCTA, Fall, Ball, etc.) that there is a section on our web site about Guidelines for having a team out of our Club. The guidelines are there to ensure everyone is treated the same. PLEASE read them and follow them. None of us on the Board want to police teams for non-club members.

As I mentioned last month, **Shari Gonzalez** has done an outstanding job working with a vendor to provide us a password protected portion of our web site. She has an article later in this issue about it and I can't encourage you enough to take a look. Now we can take surveys about issues we would like to hear from you on and we intend to use that feature regularly. If you don't look at the website, you won't see the survey and your feedback could be missed. It's the 21st century folks...get on-line today!!

Lastly, as the year winds down we're all thinking about who will make up your 2005 Board. Several of the current members won't be continuing on and that means opportunities for new blood to join. Volunteers are what make WCRC work and we need you. Please contact any Board member if you are interested in making a difference and joining the 2005 Board.

Thanks, and see ya on the courts!

**Pam**



**New Member  
Information  
Removed for  
Privacy**



# Tennis News



## A Great Team, A Great Season!

Congratulations are in order to the whole team on a fine season. This past weekend at Sectionals in Reno we beat Village GCC, Petaluma and Ramsay Park to get into the finals (NorCal 6.0 Mixed Senior). Not many teams can say that! There



were some tough matches and everyone played great tennis. There were many individuals to be given praise.

Joanne pulled a calf muscle in the first set during the 8:00AM match on Friday yet managed to hang tough (with the help of Gerry) and pull out a win at #1. Dale and "Sam" played well and pulled us through at #2 against the "Village People". Our 2nd match on Friday, at 5PM, was against Petaluma. In spite of a 2-4 match record during the regular season Petaluma played some very competitive matches. We won all 3, but it took effort. Marie and Gerry played very well together at #1. Marie told me that she "refused to lose" and didn't. Dale and "Sam" won (2nd straight at Sectionals and still undefeated together) as did Ron and Anna.

The Saturday match against Ramsay Park was the one that I consider our finest efforts. Ron and Anna rose to the occasion playing in the #1 position. After losing the first set they came on strong. They switched sides and played great winning the 2nd set and blazing through the super-tie breaker with an 8-0 lead before winning 10-3. Jo and Gerry played well pulling us through at #3. They went to a tie-breaker in the 2nd set to do it. Dale and Barbara played well at #2, but met a guy with a pony tail that played like a 4.0. We scouted him earlier. He was just too tough.

Now to the finals. We had a match-up against Valley Vista for the 4th time this season. It was ironic that two Walnut Creek teams made the finals. Paul Ferry, the Captain of VV, asked for our line-up in advance. I, of course, didn't give it to him. Interestingly, as our very own Gerry, thought they played their strongest team at #3 (Otsuki and Skiba). They just had too much fire power

for Jim and Sam. Gerry and Barbara took the #1 match to a third set super tie breaker. Ron and Anna played well at #2 against a very strong team. It was great to make it to the finals. A very successful season!

Congratulations to the whole team. We had a successful and fun season. Just wait until next year. The VV team can not all stay together. Only 3 members from the team this year can return next year. We can have the same group of fine players all together again.

Captain Jim and Co-Captain "Sam"

## "Loyal Ones" win CCTA 3.5

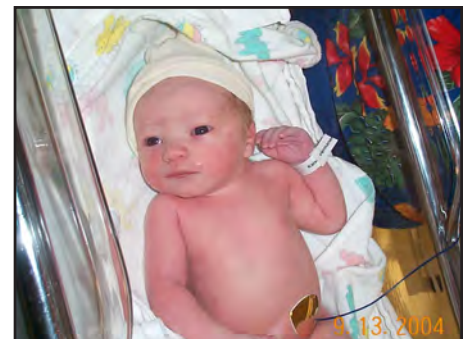
Congratulations to WCRC's "Loyal Ones" for winning the 3.5 CCTA 2004 Summer Womens league with a record of 9 wins and 2 losses. The season ran from June thru Sept with competing teams from throughout Diablo North area.

Team member include **Kelly Annoni, Paula Austin, Lisa Carlon, Cory Carr, Linda Dow, Robin Doyle, Zorgi Ewing, Deanna Fong, Jac Grandchamps, Janice Jong, Bonnie Kline, Aravinda Koka, Janet Neilsen, Karen Nishikawa, Marge Ruhl, Pat Thornburg, Medora Willis**, Co Capt **Debbie Wilson** and Capt **Carolyn Spady**.

Congratulations for an outstanding season!

## New Scriabine Delivered

Born Monday, September 13th at 11:57 am, baby **Laura Ann** made her official appearance to proud parents **Jennifer and Nick Scriabine**. She weighed in at 7lbs 2.4 oz and was 13.5 inches long. Congratulations!



## Winter Doubles Coming!

Information for signing up for 2005 Winter Doubles will be in the November Court Reporter.

## Women's Spring League

Team applications are now available and must be turned in to the league by November 1st for Women's Spring League. Our club presently has two A and one B league teams. If any NEW teams are being formed, please contact **Carolyn Spady** at carhsa@aol.com for information regarding registering for play.

# 2004 Turkey Tournament

## The Gobbler Invitational

### Mixed Doubles Format (change partner)

**When:** Saturday, November 20, 2004

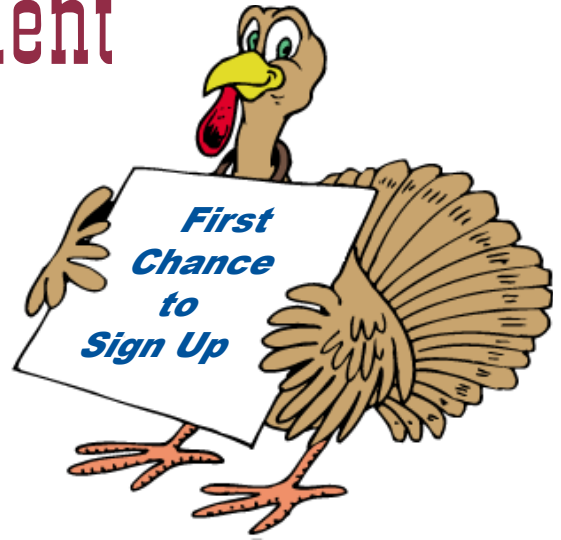
**Where:** Walnut Creek Tennis Center

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Players:** Tournament for 64 Players

**Lunch:** 12:30 p.m. Turkey (of course)

**Cost:** \$12.00/per person



Hurry and sign up for this year's Turkey Tournament, the "Gobbler Invitational." The format is mixed doubles (change partner). We'll play in 6.0, 7.0, 8.0+ and Novice divisions. Everyone plays! If you are new to tennis please feel free to sign up in the Novice division.

#### Here are some of the events highlights:

• 6.0 & 8.0+ play at 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Lunch at 12:30 pm

• 7.0 and Novice play at 1:00 pm

**Tournament Director:** Karen Hirtzel

**Sign-up Form (you don't need a partner but it helps)**

#### Player #1

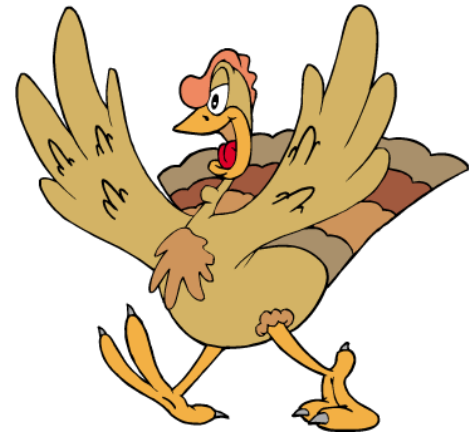
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Player #2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Rating: \_\_\_\_\_



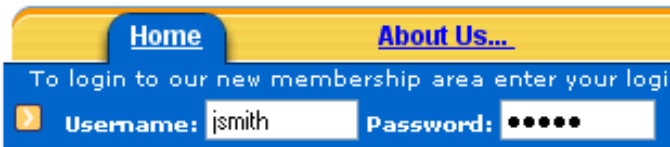
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# New This Month to www.wcrc.net – On Line Membership!

This month we've launched our new on-line membership area and we wanted to give you some tips on how to perform basic functions. We'll provide more detailed instructions about end of year renewals in the November and December newsletters but for now here's what you need to know:

## LOGGING IN

To login to the new membership website go to www.wcrc.net and enter your username in the Username field and your password in the Password



field and click the Go button. You should receive your login information via email on October 8th - check your bulk email box if you have a SPAM blocker. If you need to have your password emailed to you, you can click the Forgot password link and enter your email address. For families with multiple members using the same email, you'll be prompted to contact our system administrator to receive your login information. If your email address has changed since you've become a member you'll have to email us at webmaster@wrc.net to update your info.

## CHANGING YOUR INFORMATION

To change your contact information, your username or your password, login to the system and click either

### My Membership (Jesse Gonzalez)

- [Change Name & Address Info](#)
- [Change Username/Password](#)

of the links shown to the right

under My Membership, fill out the information and click the Submit button.

## LOOKING UP SOMEONE ELSE'S INFORMATION

Our new site offers several ways to look up other members contact information listed under the Quick Reports section shown to the right. For a full listing of all members contact information, including addresses click the Member List (HTML) link under Quick Reports. To quickly find a member hold down the Ctrl key and hit the letter 'F'. This will bring up a dialog box in which you can type the member's name or part of their name to find their information.

## Quick Reports

- [Member List \(PDF\)](#)
- [Member List 2 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Member List \(HTML\)](#)
- [Member List \(phone/email only\)](#)
- [Officers List](#)

For a printable version of the members list click the Member List 2 (PDF)

link. For a listing of just phone numbers and email click the Member List (phone/email only) link. Finally, the Officers List contains our current board member information and if you click on the link you can send an email message to the entire board.

**ATTENTION ALL WCRC CAPTAINS:** WCRC requires that all teams that play out of the Walnut Creek Tennis Center have a roster with either 100% WCRC membership or that any non-members pay a one-time single event fee. Use the above functionality prior to any captain's meeting to ensure that your players are all members of the WCRC. Choose the Member List (HTML) option as you'll need to ensure that any Single Event Fee members have paid the event fee for the current USTA League (this information will be in the address field for these types of members). At future captain's meetings, any team not complying with this standard will not be given courts for home matches.

## TAKING OUR POLL

WCRC will periodically conduct polls regarding current topics that affect our members. You'll be able to login and provide us with your opinion on the topic of the day. This month's topic is participation at the WCRC's Club Championships. Please take a minute to respond to the poll under the Polls section as seen to the right and let us know what you think.

## Polls

[View Current Results](#)

Why didn't you play in the WCRC's Club Championships?

- I was on vacation or out of town
- It's too much money for what you get
- I didn't think that I could be competitive at my level
- I'm just not interested

## REGISTERING FOR THE TURKEY TOURNAMENT

Registration for the Turkey Tournament is now on-line on our new membership website. To register follow these steps:

- Click the Turkey Tournament Sign-Up link under Event Registrations as seen below.
- Select General Event Registration and click Continue.
- Under Event Specific Information enter your NTRP Rating or if you are not rated, input the rating you think that you should play at, select your Gender and your format preference. Also, you must accept our waiver by clicking the checkbox by the agreement terms to sign up.
- Under Session Sign-Up click Continue.
- Under Payment method, choose either Pay at the Event in which case you'll need to bring a check with you or choose the PayPal option in which case you'll need to be a PayPal member. Click Continue once you've selected an option.
- IMPORTANT:** If you choose to pay at the event and then do not Cancel your registration prior to the deadline (11/15) and do not show up to the event, the registration fee will be added to any subsequent WCRC events that you attend.

### Event Registrations

[Turkey Tournament sign-up](#)

WCRC's annual Turkey Tournament

## FAMILY ADMINISTRATORS

For those households with multiple family members, administration of contact information, family members and event registration is slightly different from above for the family administrator. Each household has 1 family administrator that has been randomly designated. You will know who this is by the label on the newsletter that you receive. If the administrator should be a different family member please contact Shari Gonzalez at [webmaster@wcr.net](mailto:webmaster@wcr.net).

There will be an additional section in the right hand column of the membership system for family administrators. This section will be called Member Management System. From here you can add family members, delete family members or change family member information. You will also be able to view billing information for your account. In addition, you'll be able to register family members in WCRC events from the Event Registration area.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Gabe Goldstein

Income Statement:  
as of August 31, 2004



### Income

Awards Banquet	3,106.00
Singles/Doubles Club Championships	810.00
Siebel Bus Trip	2,015.00
Little Siebel Tournament	200.00
Winter Doubles League	1,975.00
Interest	12.47
Advertising	780.00
Membership Dues	10,430.00
Silent Auction	1,610.00
Board Dinner	270.00
Summer Singles	25.00
Calcutta Tournament	1,610.00
Valentines Tournament	485.00
Mixed Doubles Club Championships	420.00

**Total Income** 23,748.47

### Expenses

Siebel Bus Trip	2,898.50
Singles/Doubles Club Championships	1,020.39
Little Siebel Tournament	94.82
Turkey Tournament	327.76
Winter Doubles	5,552.50
Awards Banquet	3,428.71
Dues & Subscriptions	25.00
Donations	943.80
Light Fund	3,000.00
Membership Brochures	54.13
Membership Directory	1,326.06
Newsletter	4,240.91
Non-Profit Fees	55.00
Postage	1,228.31
Printing/Duplicating	121.39
Supplies	763.65
Website	492.08
Board Dinner	705.54
Friday Night Drop In Tennis	21.65
Calcutta Tournament	1,631.64
Valentines Tournament	216.81
Mixed Doubles Tournament	564.80

**Total Expenses** 28,713.45

**Profit (Loss)** -4,964.98

**Balance August 31, 2004** \$7,584.09



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## HELP WANTED

Looking for a fun way to spend the second Tuesday evening of each month?

Here's your opportunity to join at least 12 other folks for a lively evening. Just join the WCRC Board for the 2005 year and the possibilities are endless. There's no pay, no perks, no glory but WE NEED YOU!

No matter what your skills, we can train you.

Contact any Board member with questions or just to say yes!