

THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

October, 2013

Alan Chan catches
some serious air
on a serve during
the winter doubles
tournament.



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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Sterling Fairholm
2013 WCRC President

Happy October WCRC!

The very popular Tri-Level Tournament is happening this weekend at various locations. Good luck to all four teams (Kranthi Tappita, Greg Hixson, Martin Dunlap, and Veronica Roussel) heading out to the three day tournament.

Congratulations to the following 55+ teams in Playoffs Gerry Brown 7.0 Men's team; Ernie Shultz 8.0 Men's team, Rich Miller 9.0 Men's team, and Myrl Kan's 7.0 Women's Team!

The USTA adult mixed season is winding down. Congratulations to Fenny Widjaja's 8.0 Mixed team and Sterling's 7.0 Mixed team who will both be heading to Districts at Johnson Ranch, October 11-13.

Also scheduled for October 11-13th is the **SUMMER SINGLES TOURNAMENT** with the last rounds the following weekend. It's always a great tournament so make sure you get qualified.

FALL MIXED LEAGUE sign-ups are up and running and teams have already begun to play matches, you can sign up online or there is a registration form on page 6.

See you on the courts!

Sterling



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Tennis News



New League Player Recognition Award

USTA Northern California congratulates and thanks all league players for their participation, dedication, and the many hours spent with us on the court.

Players reaching the 300, 400, 500, 600, or 700 league matches played will be recognized and awarded our Player Recognition Award Bag Tag for sustained participation in our Adult League Program!

The eleven league players, nine women and 2 men, who have exceeded the 600 and 700 levels as of July 25th, were invited to accept their award in person at last night's USTA Northern California Board of Directors meeting. Dale Russell, Adult League Committee Chair, Anna Elefant, Manager of Adult Leagues and Michael Cooke, Board President personally thanked those players in attendance.

How does one play so many matches? It starts with a healthy addiction to tennis! Nine of the 11 players who have exceeded the 600 match milestone, have been hooked on league tennis dating back to 1998 when records were first electronically archived. Good health and physical condition have kept these players on the court year after year.

And when it comes to a full menu of USTA League options, age has its rewards. Senior players who have reached age 65 qualify to play in nine different leagues throughout the year. Greta Rzepski of Mountain View is at the top of the list with 758 matches played as of today. Randy Chen-Tse of Alamo, recently topped 700 matches and she estimates her actual number of matches played to be much higher as she began her USTA league play more than 10 years before electronic tracking began.

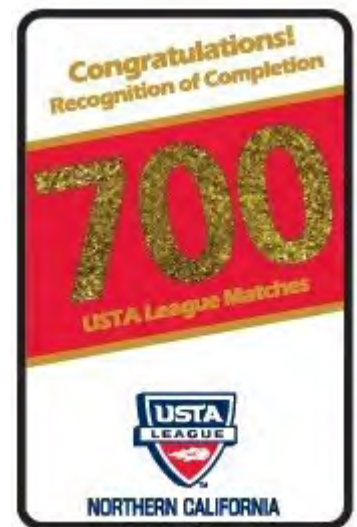
Randy has played both Adult and Mixed 18, 40 and 55 & Over plus the Combo League. The leagues based on combined rating levels also provide the opportunity to join teams at multiple levels; Randy with her 4.5 rating is currently playing on 8.0 and 9.0 level Adult 55 and Over teams.

Living and playing in the Bay Area affords the opportunity to join multiple teams for any league since league areas like Diablo North and Diablo South or Mid-Peninsula and Lower Peninsula are in such close proximity. Shari Kakiuchi now lives in Pleasanton but still plays on teams from Lafayette to ClubSport Fremont and over to the Peninsula.

on the Peninsula. Janet Gee of El Sobrante has tennis friends all over the Bay Area from the teams she's been invited to join. Her husband, Victor, is also a league player so there's an implied understanding when most of her weekends are full with multiple matches.

It also helps to be good! The strongest players on the team often find themselves in the line-up each week. They're often members of teams that play deep into the season, competing at Districts, Sectionals and most have played at a USTA League National Championships. Benjamin Chui of Saratoga, played 14 matches for his 8.0 Senior 60 team last year. He is currently the male with the highest number of matches played at 616.

33 players have played over 500 matches, 156 players have played over 400 matches and 672 players have played over 300 matches, all will receive their bag tag by mail along with a letter of appreciation during the month of September. The League Player Recognition awards will be presented each year. If you're curious to know how many matches you've played or how many teams/leagues you've joined since 1998, look at the upper right corner of your player page at your own "Trophy Shelf".





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October 19, 2013 5:30 pm

Save the Date!

Plumber's Hall – 1308 Roman Way, Martinez
Cocktail hour with Show and Dinner following. Please dress in cruise attire. Prizes for best costumes, Murder Mystery solver and more

WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles League Registration Form (Also on-line at www.wcrc.net)

MALE PLAYER

FEMALE PLAYER

Name		
Mailing Address		
City		
ZIP Code		
Home Phone		
Work or Cell Phone		
E-mail address		
NTRP level		

WCRC Member? YES NO YES NO

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

Mixed 6.0
 Mixed 7.0
 Mixed 8.0
 Mixed 9.0

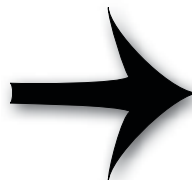


On-Line Registration will remain open until **December 1, 2013**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **November 1, 2013** with a check for registration fees (payable to WCRC) to: WCRC, 970 Janet Lane, Lafayette, CA 94549.

Questions?

**Call Pam Maloney at 925-787-3970
or via e-mail pam4tenis@gmail.com**

Find detailed Information on page 7...



League Information: Players may enter the WCRC Mixed Doubles League in more than one division (i.e, 6.0 and 7.0), as long as he/she is not playing below 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.

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!**

WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles League Registration Form (Also on-line at www.wcrc.net)

We will continue to offer on-line scoring and real-time updated standings for all four (4) divisions. Don't forget that the league registration fee includes unlimited regular season doubles matches, a league gift and may include an end of the season tournament dependent upon weather and court scheduling.

LEAGUE COMMISSIONER Pam Maloney: 925-787-3970

DATES September 9, 2013 - January 10, 2014

ENTRY FEES

WCRC Members
On-Line Registration: \$17.50 (\$35 per team)
Mail In Registration: \$22.50 (\$45 per team)

Non WCRC Members
On-Line Registration: \$27.50 (\$55 per team)
Mail In Registration: \$32.50 (\$65 per team)

FORMAT Mixed Doubles, 16-week regular season
(players grouped by combined NTRP level; ie. 7.0 can be a 4.0 man and a 3.0 woman or two 3.5 players)

NTRP LEVELS Mixed 6.0-9.0

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 two-out-of-three set format, 12-point tiebreaker (regular scoring). No SUPERTIEBREAKERS! Both teams responsible for bringing balls to match; winning team gets unopened can. Matches should be played according to the "Rules of Tennis."

TOURNAMENT End of season tournament with draw determined by league standings to be held over the weekend of Jan 17-19, 2014 dependent upon court scheduling and weather. To qualify for the tournament, teams must have completed and reported at least 4 matches during the regular league season. Depending on the number of entrants tournament play may include Friday night play. In addition, draws with large numbers of players may be required to play matches prior to the tournament weekend. Seeding for the tournament will be based on regular season standings. The more matches you and your partner play, the higher your ranking will be.





What's Happening at the Courts?

Monthly Pass Holder Specials

All current Pass Holders are invited to attend a FREE Doubles Strategy Clinic on Saturday, October 26th, from 2:00-3:00pm

All levels of play are welcome. Bring your partner or come alone.

Sign up in the office at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center.

Also, be sure to stop by the office a few days before Halloween to receive your FREE Trick or Treat. (October 28th-31st)



Private Lessons & Friday Night Round Robin

Private lessons for October are filling up quickly. Have one of our tennis instructors take a look at your game and tune it up for your upcoming matches. You can also join Coach Joe during the Friday Night Round Robin with the Pro. This sells out quickly, so remember to sign up in the office at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center to reserve your spot. This is offered most Friday nights, 8:00pm-10:00pm, Pass Holders \$4, Non-Pass Holders \$8.



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CALENDER OF EVENTS

Oct

Oct 4-6	USTA Adult 55+ Playoffs Round 2
Oct 4-6	USTA Mixed Doubles 18+ Playoffs Round 2
Fall TBA	Adult 40+ Nationals
Fall TBA	USTA Adult 18+ Nationals
Oct TBA	USTA Adult 55+ Sectionals
Oct 11-13	USTA Mixed Doubles 18+ Sectionals
Oct 11-13	WCRC Summer Singles Tournament
Oct 19	WCRC Summer Singles Tournament

Nov Dec

Nov TBA	USTA Mixed Doubles 18+ Nationals
Dec 1	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Season Closes
Dec 6-8	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Playoffs Round 1
Dec 8	USTA NorCal 70+ Season Closes
Dec 13-15	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Playoffs Round 2
Dec 15	USTA Combo Doubles Season Closes

Email Tammie Snyder at
tammie@gte.net to place articles,
photos or advertising in the
November issue of the
Court Reporter!

Deadline for the **November** issue
is **Monday, October 28th.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of August 30, 2013



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January through August 2013

	Jan - Aug '13
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Advertising Income	450.00
League Dues	7,683.65
Membership Dues	11,177.83
Tournament Dues	3,835.12
Total Income	23,146.60
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	20.00
Beverage Cooler	195.29
Board Meeting	318.69
Calcutta Expenses	6,925.26
Captains Meetings	103.00
Contributions	1,500.00
Dues and Subscriptions	135.00
Fall Mixed Tournament Expenses	2,337.51
Filling Fees	35.00
Gifts	75.95
Locks	32.23
Member Services	226.00
Mid Summer Expenses-Food	508.82
Miscellaneous	180.00
Office Supplies	11.91
Porta-Potty	156.57
Postage and Delivery	578.61
Printing and Reproduction	5,444.33
Professional Fees	525.00
Tennis Balls	118.59
Tournament Food	1,002.26
Website	479.55
Winter Doubles Expenses	3,601.02
Total Expense	24,510.59
Net Ordinary Income	-1,363.99
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	7.60
Total Other Income	7.60
Net Other Income	7.60
Net Income	-1,356.39
Balance as of August 30, 2013	\$33,349.50



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Summer Singles League - Standings

Men's

3.0	W	L
Ric Ronci	5	0
3.5		
Charan Sarjapur	17	3
4.0		
Robert Gee	13	4
4.5		
Shashi Kamath	10	4

Women's

2.5	W	L
Julia Petrov	5	0
3.0		
Sonia Santiago	7	3
3.5		
Elizabeth Brathwait	6	0
4.0		
Nancy O'Neil	16	1
4.5/5.0		
Carollyn Vogler	7	0