


THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

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A photograph of a tennis player, Jack Whiteford, captured in the middle of a backhand serve. He is wearing a white short-sleeved shirt with three black stripes on the sleeve, a white cap, white wristbands, white socks, and white sneakers with blue accents. He is on a blue tennis court, and his right arm is extended upwards, holding a tennis racket. A yellow tennis ball is visible in the air above the racket. In the background, there is a black chain-link fence with a green sign that has the number '5' on it. Beyond the fence, there are trees and a clear sky. The lighting suggests it is daytime.

Jack Whiteford on
Glenn McBee's
55+ 7.0 Men's team
hits a nice serve.

Photo by Tim Tamura

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Craig Lazarchik
2014 WCRC President

Greetings as we are in full swing to 2014. Hope you all enjoyed your recent leagues, the amazing weather, and the Australian Open.

There are many things to be thankful for this year and many blessings to appreciate; families and friends, the blessing of playing tennis in our beautiful Northern California; great constants for us to reflect upon. Tennis has its

own constants it gives to us all. Yes, we go out and play and have our ups and downs. However, the one constant we have, the one bond that in most cases gets stronger each time we take the court...is the people we play with. A bond that I believe is the underlying core of tennis...that constant core is our partners, our friends, our teammates! The women, men, juniors and kids who make up our WCRC membership have built a social competitive brand that I believe is unrivaled. Our spirit, camaraderie, respect and passion for this sport continues to be boundless. The dynamic in our club is second to none. In the coming year we will look forward in continuing to develop this brand and pass along our passion and respect to others, while we continue to be the leading tennis community in California.

Now, some of the WCRC success would not be possible without the right people in the right places. The entire Board who serves the WCRC does so selflessly, loyally, and passionately. I'd like to thank the recent past leaders, **Sterling and Tammie**, for all their efforts, and for staying on the Board and serving our members in multiple roles. The WCRC and our tennis community is lucky to have you.

Speaking of success..congratulations to both **Garvin Tom's** 40+ 8.0 Mixed team as well as **Veronica Rousell's** 40+ 9.0 Mixed teams who both did very well at Sectionals. Good luck to **Myrl Kan's** 6.5 Combo Women's team, **Shari Gonzalez's** 7.5 Combo Women's team and **Tammie Snyder's** 7.5 Combo Men's teams as they head out to Districts February 21-23.

So with that being said, the WCRC Board looks forward to serving you and the community in 2014. Relationships with our partners (including the city of Walnut Creek and Lifetime Tennis) will continue to grow. Our events will continue to be fantastic. The leagues will continue to be grand. And the tennis no doubt will be a winner!

All the best,

Craig



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Tennis News



7.5 CM Districts Bound

Congratulations to Tammie Snyder's 7.5 Combo Men's team who took out both Diamond Hills and Valley Vista in playoffs to advance to Districts at Natomas, February 21-23.

Tammie's and co-captain Garvin Tom's team finished the season undefeated at 8-0 losing only 4 lines. The Diamond Hills first round match ups were very close with a 2-1 victory. At Valley Vista the following week it was a fun battle but coming back from 2-5 down in the third set Sterling and Steve took it to a tie breaker to win their line and finish with a sweep!

Most of this team got bumped at the end of season ratings with only 5 of the 16 players finishing at the level they started at. The team consisted of: **Jay Bains, Steve Buchholz, Alan Chan, Rob Corder, Chris Dundon, Sterling Fairhol, Greg Hixson, Goran Kalas, Kevin Kyono, Nadav Noy, Jay Pineda, Joe Remick, Franz Riedel, Craig Smith, Garvin Tom and Ed Wassmuth.**



Winning team against Moraga County Club: l-r Debby Rechnitz, team captain Shari Gonzalez, Christine Hohenstein, Sheryl Lawrentz, Heidi Belton and Sheila Langon.

7.5 CW Heading to Districts

Congratulations to Shari Gonzalez' 7.5 Combo Women's team who successfully defeated both Diamond Hills and Moraga in playoffs to advance to Districts February 21-23.

Diamond Hills was the teams only regular season loss and were hoping for some payback. Shari's team came out strong and swept all three lines in straight sets. In the second round of playoffs Moraga who also finished their flight at 9-1 came out with their top players. This match was much closer with two of the lines going three sets and eventually pulled out the win 2-1.

This team has a lot of depth with some solid 3.5 as well as 4.0 players. The team consisted of: **Darcy Beauchemin, Heidi Belton, Cherie Charbonneau, Corrine Christensen, Nancy DeSchane, Jessie Du, Karen Gee, Captain Shari Gonzalez, Christine Hohenstein, Priyanka Holmes, Sheila Langon, Sheryl Lawrentz, Kathy Lee, Athena Lofquist, Tami Maxwell, Michelle McDonagh, Pru Pruden, Debby Rechnitz, Femy Semilla, Tammie Snyder and Debra Ziegler.**



Nadav Noy and Jay Bains were first off the courts against Valley Vista with a 6-2, 6-2 victory!

SAVE THE DATE		Saturday, June 7th Orindawoods
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Tennis News



40+ 8.0 Mixed Team comes up just short at Sectionals!

By Garvin Tom

Wow! It has been an amazing run for our team during the inaugural 40+ 8.0 mixed season. We started our postseason run by beating the two teams that defeated us in the regular season, Pinole and Valley Vista. We were coming into the local league final against Brad Swint's Valley Vista team as the underdog, but we were able to pull through with some persistence, heart, and some luck, and earned a spot in Sectionals.

In Sectionals, our first match on Friday was a tough one, losing 10-8 in the super tiebreak of the deciding line, to a very solid Modesto RC team. We bounced back the next day, however, winning both our matches against Bay Trees and Seascape, 2-1 and 3-0, respectively. We did not get the help we needed, however, as Modesto also won both of their matches on Saturday as well and moved on to Sunday's semifinal round. Darn those super tiebreaks!

This season was a lot of fun and there was so much exciting tennis that there were times where I wished I could put myself in the lineup to play (if only I was old enough to be eligible).

As a first time captain, not only was I lucky enough to surround myself with a great group of players, but more importantly, a terrific group of people, too. Thanks to everyone on the team: Jay Bains, Darcy Beauchemin, Alan Chan, Nancy Chan, Corrine Christensen, Nancy Deschane, Mike Gabrielson, Shari Gonzalez, Greg Hixson, Christine Hohenstein, Lloyd Hohenstein, Sharleen Houston, Brad Hoyle, Mayada Innenberg, Jennie Kessinger, Todd Kessinger, Cameron Lerner, Craig Smith, and Justin Snyder. Also, special thanks to Tammie Snyder for co-captaining with me and guiding me through the season. Congratulations on a wonderful season!



At Sectionals: l-r Jay Bains, Jennie Kessinger, Sharleen Houston, Garvin Tom, Tammie Snyder, Mike Gabrielson, Cameron Lerner, Nancy Deschane, Justin Snyder, Darcy Beauchemin.



*Playoff win vs Valley Vista
l-r Corrine Christensen, Shari Gonzalez, Cameron Coltharp, Nancy Deschane, Nadav Noy, Tammie Snyder, Jay Bains, Garvin Tom, Justin Snyder, Sharleen Houston, Jennie Kessinger*



Tennis News



9.0 40+ team almost head to Hawaii

The weather conditions at Diamond Hills were nothing less than perfect and the competition was what you would expect at this level - not for the timid. Our Friday nail biter ended in a 2/1 victory for WCRC closed out by Margaret and Martin Dunlap's 3rd Set TB 10-8 and a solid 6-4, 6-4 win by Raquel and Francisco against the San Francisco Tennis Club. Saturday at "High Noon" we faced Gold River, the toughest team in the draw. Raquel and Pat were the big winners with a 7-5, 6-3 win in Line #2, Martin Nunez and Veronica took a loss against hard hitting Line #1, Debbie Goettsch and Martin Dunlap had a close TB loss in the first set but we came up short with a 1-2 WCRC loss against the team that ultimately won the tournament. We were still alive for Sunday's match against Tiburon - great to watch with 3rd set TBs on all 3 courts resulting in a 1-2 loss. Margaret and Pat were the big winners defeating Tiburon's Line #1 in a 3rd set TB 11-9. The undefeated Gold River team went on to beat Pleasanton Tennis Center 2-1 in the Finals on Sunday. Aloha Gold River! Good luck at Nationals on Maui!

Pat and Darcy Beachemin and Debbie Goettsch were also there to enjoy the fun. Contributing players to our "Wild Card" position in the event: **Karin Deas, Carol Liao, Rick Overstreet** (MIA with Flu), **Brian Italia and Mike Attiyeh**.



l-r Margaret Robbins, Martin Nunez, Carol Akre, Martin Dunlap, Raquel Atkin, Lisa Hotchkiss, Francisco Macias, Veronica Rousset.



What's Happening at the Courts?

Registration for Tennis Classes: The Walnut Creek Tennis Center is accepting registration for Spring Classes beginning February 18th. These classes will run for 12 weeks from March 31st through June 22nd. They will fill up quickly, so be sure to reserve your spot. Registration for Spring Classes can be made on-line at lifetimetennis.com or in the office at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center.

Monthly Pass Holder's Special:

Joe Noth, our Tennis Director, will be hosting two Demo Day Clinics for Pass Holders this month. Hit with Joe while you demo Babolat Rackets and the newest Wilson Rackets. Demo Day Clinics will be offered...

Tuesday, February 25th at 10am

Thursday, February 27th at 6pm

Also, be sure to stop by the Pro Shop for a free Valentine treat throughout the month of February!

Want to Play with the Pro?: Joe Noth will be running our Friday Night Round Robin from 8:00-10:00pm.

Sign up in the office at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center. \$4.00 Pass Holders, \$8.00 Non-Pass Holders. This event does sell out quickly, so make sure to reserve your spot soon!



WCRC Men's & Women's 2014 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 | <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):

- * \$45 per team (both Walnut Creek Racquet Club Members) • [\\$35 per team for on-line registration](#)
- * \$55 per team (one WCRC Member, one non-member) • [\\$45 per team for on-line registration](#)
- * \$65 per team (both non WCRC members) • [\\$55 per team for on-line registration](#)

On-Line Registration will remain open until **March 21, 2014**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **January 31st, 2014** with a check for registration fees (payable to WCRC) to: WCRC, 25 Binnacle Hall, Oakland, CA 94618.

Questions? Call Lynne Weinschelbaum at 510-665-4025 or via e-mail lweinschelbaum@yahoo.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.

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.**

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

Feb

Feb 3	USTA 18+ Adult Team Registration Opens
Feb 7-9	WCRC Mixed Doubles Tournament
Feb 21-23	USTA Combo Doubles Districts

Mar

Mar 8-9	USTA Combo Doubles Sectionals
Mar 3	USTA 65+ Adult Season Opens
Mar 30	USTA 40+ Adult Season Closes
Mar 30	USTA 55+ Adult Season Closes
Mar 31	USTA 18+ Adult Team Season Opens

Apr

Apr 4-6	USTA Adult 55+ Playoffs Round 1
Apr 11-13	USTA 40+ Adult Playoffs Round 1
Apr 11-13	USTA Adult 55+ Playoffs Round 2
Apr 25-27	USTA Adult 55+ (7.0 & 9.0) Nationals
Apr 25-27	USTA 40+ Adult Playoffs Round 2
Apr 28	USTA Mixed 18+ Team Registration Opens
Apr 28	USTA Mixed 40+ Team Registration Opens

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

Deadline for the **March** issue is **Monday, February 24th.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of December 31, 2013



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

	Jan - Dec '13
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Advertising Income	450.00
League Dues	8,242.41
Membership Dues	14,493.39
Tournament Dues	5,302.78
Total Income	28,488.58
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	20.00
Beverage Cooler	195.29
Board Meeting	541.27
Calcutta Expenses	6,925.26
Captains Meetings	283.37
Contributions	1,500.00
Dues and Subscriptions	135.00
Fall Mixed Tournment Expenses	2,337.51
Filling Fees	35.00
Gifts	75.95
Locks	53.92
Member Services	1,251.00
Mid Summer Expenses-Food	508.82
Miscellaneous	180.00
Office Supplies	11.91
Porta-Potty	1,332.92
Postage and Delivery	875.65
Printing and Reproduction	6,016.05
Professional Fees	925.00
Summer Singles Tournament Expen	4,882.62
Tennis Balls	316.36
Tournament Food	1,002.26
Website	739.40
Winter Doubles Expenses	4,662.38
Total Expense	34,806.94
Net Ordinary Income	-6,318.36
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	8.24
Total Other Income	8.24
Net Other Income	8.24
Net Income	-6,310.12

Balance as of December 31, 2013 **\$46,091.56**



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Mixed Doubles League - Standings

	W	L
6.0		
Raanan Sagy/Florence Huang	8	0
7.0		
Lisa Wu/Andrew Bidou	13	1
8.0		
Jay Bains/Nancy DeSchane	8	2
9.0		
Lynne Tomczak/Rick Overstreet	5	0