

THE COURT REPORTER

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Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club



Men's 3.0A



District's Bound...



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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well folks, summer is with us, and with a vengeance!!!

Speaking for myself, I love summer, the heat and all ... tough for singles though, but great nevertheless

The previous newsletter was all about complaints, admonishments and just plain bull*\$%&ing, but this is different, it is a celebration about a club that has a lot of fun playing tennis and winning at the same time.



Gabe Goldstein
2005 WCRC President

Congratulations to the captains and teams that are going to districts:

Tammie Snyder and **Myrl Kan's** 3.0 Men's (need I say more?)

Don Loeffler and the 3.5 Men's (I am proud to be associated with this team).

David Wu and **Michael Attiyeh's** 4.0 Men's team (They won our addition of the Civil War against **Nick Scriabine** and **Eric Ladrech's** team – where is a wild card when you need it?)

Fran Bagnasco super senior 7.0 team.

Several more of our teams came very close loosing in the playoffs in some very close and hotly contested matches:

Mike Willis' 4.5 Mens, **Judy Griffith's 4.0 ladies**, **Judy Stillman's 3.5 ladies**, and **Myrl Kan's 3.0 ladies**.

I am sure that there are a lot of could'a, should'a and would'a in all of that. Congratulations to all of you as well. You'll get them next year!!

Please come out and support the teams in their quest to go further and be the best at the Sectionals at Roundhill on August 5, 6 and 7.

Lots more tennis to be played and enjoyed by all of us, what with club championships over the weekends of September 9-11 and 16-18, Singles and Mixed Doubles league tournaments on the immediate horizon .

More about this elsewhere in this newsletter

See y'all on the courts, soon

Gabe Goldstein

On the Cover

Men's 3.0 A team: (l-r): Frank Concepcion, Charlie Scudiere, Tom Amann, Dave Engle, Gerry Brown, Nathan Collins, Justin & Lindsey Snyder, Joel Schaffer, Jay Evans, Darrel Fiske, John Carr, Ron Huxley and Jim Ford.

(not shown: Ron Frazier and Tim Davie)

Men's 3.5 A 2 team: Back row: Mike Jetland, Justin Snyder, Pete Hellman, Don Loeffler, Nat Bitton, Evan Hoyer, Bret Jones, Bill Charters and Dick Harrow. Front row: Jeff Shuttleworth, Tim Tamura, Jeff Stirewalt Mark Chase and Doug Wisman (not shown: David Alyono, Jim Barringham, Chris Booth, Mark Bruna, David Cobo, Tom Goins, Gabe Goldstein, Rob Grove, Paul Leung, Paul Morrow, Al Pierce, David Stern and Everett Thomas)

2005 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



2004 CHAMPIONS:

Women's C Singles	Tammie Snyder
Women's A Doubles	Tammy Chan & Claudia Suh-Bown
Women's B Doubles	Genny & Dina Decosta
Women's C Doubles	Lisa Carlón & Tammie Snyder
Men's A Singles	Shane Jones
Men's B Singles	Thurston Barnett
Men's C Singles	Debashis Panda
Men's A Doubles	Chris Bown & Ron Hidayat
Men's B Doubles	Frank Jones & Rich Zavala
Men's C Doubles	Pete Fong & Pete Hellman
Mixed 9.0	Martin Dunlap & Melanie Pizzoli
Mixed 8.0	Heidi & Brad Belton
Mixed 7.0	Debbie & Peter Hellman
Mixed 6.0	Tammie & Justin Snyder

WHEN: September 9-11 & Sept. 16-18, 2005

WHERE: Walnut Creek Tennis Center

DIVISIONS: Men's Singles/Doubles
A (4.5+), B (4.0), C (3.0-3.5)
Women's Singles/Doubles
A (4.0+), B (3.5), C (3.0)
Mixed
A (8.0+), B (7.0), C (6.0)

FEES: \$10/person - Singles; \$20/team

***Entry fees include tennis balls and BBQ. Participants are guaranteed at least two matches -- consolation rounds will be held (some may be held at satellite sites).*

Note: You must be an active member of the WCRC to play in the Club Championships.

ENTRY DEADLINE:

Must be postmarked by **Friday, Sept. 2**

Or sign up online at wrcr.net until **Tuesday, Sept. 6**

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Rating _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Rating _____

Please check the appropriate event(s)/division you would like to play:

- Male Singles A (see above for division)
 Female Doubles B (see above for division)
 Mixed C (see above for division)

Make checks payable to WCRC and send to:

Tammy Chan • 2984 Bonifacio Street • Concord, CA 94519
Questions? Email Tammy at tammychan@sbcglobal.net

on-line registration available at www.wrcr.net



Tennis News



3 WCRC Men's Teams Head to Districts

Men's 4.0

Dave Wu & Mike Attiyeh's Men's 4.0B Team

In a tightly contested match-up, **Dave Wu & Mike Attiyeh's** Men's 4.0B team took out **Nick Scriabine & Eric Ladrech's** Men's 4.0A team in a 3-2 decision. For the second year in a row, the two Walnut Creek Men's 4.0 teams played for the League Championship spot on July 9th at the Heather Farms Tennis Center. Like the previous year, the match came down to the wire and was exciting for both players and spectators alike.

In the #1 singles position, WC veterans **Charles Kearny** and **Dave Graham** faced off with Graham taking the match in a tight 7-5, 6-4 win. In the #2 singles spot, captain **Dave Wu** faced **Bob Samuels** – both players showing a very similar style of game – topspin and strong baseline play – Wu outlasted Samuels for a 6-3, 6-4 win.

In the #1 Doubles position **Jesse Gonzalez** and **Brad Belton** came out strong in the first set to take a 4-1 lead, only to see **David Hughes** and **Eric Ladrech** bring it back to 5-5 – Gonzalez and Belton were able to take the first set to a tiebreaker and then took the tiebreaker decisively and the 2nd set 6-4. In the #2 Doubles spot the Walnut Creek A regular season singles players **Michael Quintana** and **Paul Tomaska** teamed up and proved to be too big of challenge for co-captain **Mike Attiyeh & Ernie Schulze** – final score 6-3, 6-2.

With the match tied a 2-2, the #3 doubles line of **Bob Walgren & Venu Mullapudi** vs. **Marty Tedlock & Rich Miller** turned out to be the deciding match. After splitting the first two sets, as both teams and bystanders looked on and cheered, a 10-point tiebreaker decided the outcome of the match. With both teams neck-and-neck during the tiebreaker, Walgren and Mullapudi were able to pull out the tiebreaker at 10-7 and give the Men's 4.0B team the victory and send them on their way to Districts.

Men's 3.5

Don Loeffler & Gabe Goldstein's Men's 3.5A 2 Team

Don Loeffler and **Gabe Goldstein's** team won a hard fought third round playoff match against Orinda-woods. Singles player **Bill Charters** came out on top in straight sets beating Robert Gee 6-0, 6-2. #2 singles **Evan Hoyer** took one for the team meeting up with Dorian Adam who was undefeated 8-0 for the season. The #2 doubles team of **Nat Bitton** and **Peter Hellman** butted heads with Larry Wood and Mark Stevens. In a tough played match, Nat and Pete came up just short losing a very close match, 5-7, 4-6. The #3 doubles teams of **Bret Jones** and **Jeff Shuttleworth**; matched up against WCRC members **Al Richardi** and **John Gavello**. Al and John had played most of the season together and had dropped only one match all season as a team. Bret and Jeff dug in deep and kept a very close match tight through each point. The won it in straight sets 7-6, 7-5.

The #1 doubles team of **Mark Chase** and **Doug Wisman** went head to head against fellow WCRC member and tough opponent **Debashis Panda** and Antonio Camargo. With both teams with two wins a piece, this was the deciding match. Mark and Doug won the first set 6-3, dropped the second 3-6 and then came back and won the third set 6-2 pulling out the third win for the team. Next stop districts...

Men's 3.0

Tammie Snyder & Myrl Kan's Men's 3.0A Team

Second round playoff match vs. Valley Vista's A team was a hard earned match.

#1 doubles was the two undefeated teams of **Gerry Brown/Joel Schaffer** meeting head to head with Larry Long and Frank Bennett. Gerry and Joel edged them out in the first set then got taken in the second. After falling down 5+ times in the match, in the tie breaker, Joel "Scratch" Schaffer made a diving volley landed on his knees (again) only to have them hit another volley at him while he's still on the ground. Joel laid down flat on the court and hit a winner from the ground. They won it in a tight third set super tie breaker. Final scores: 6-4, 2-6, 1-0 (10-7)

Second to finish was the #1 singles **Nathan**



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“Stretch” Collins. He took one for the team, he met up with Kevin Camera who hasn't lost a singles match since June 2004! Although the scores didn't indicate the great match and points that were played. Kevin seemed to be able to come up with the big points when he needed to. Final scores: 2-6, 1-6

Third off the courts were the #3 doubles team of **Darrel Fiske** and **John Carr**. They started off a bit tight, regrouped, then John started poaching like a crazy man and Darrel kept finding the open court. The came on strong in the second taking it to a tiebreaker to decide the set, but came up short in the end. Final scores: 1-6, 6-7 (4-7)

At this point we were down 1-2, and we had dropped the first sets in the other to lines. Let the pacing begin.....

Justin Snyder and Nick Berberi banged it out. Nick took the first set easily then Justin came back to win the second. He got an early mini break then took it home for our second line win. Final scores: 3-6, 6-2, 1-0 (10-4)

We pick up the #2 doubles match of **Dave Engle** and **Jay Evans** in the second set. They are matched up against Bob Campos and Bob Brown. Jay and Dave lost the first set after being up 5-1...Jay and Dave stay tough and win the second set on Jay's serve....On to yet another super tie breaker!!! WC gets up 6-5 then Bob Brown has to serve into the sun for the first time of the day. The sun is right in his toss zone. He hits the first serve long. 7-5 WC, the next serve he bounces it into his own court before it gets to the net. The crowd goes insane. WC is up 8-5. WC double faults now 8-6. We hold the next serve 9-6.

Valley Vista scores another shot with a volley right up the middle. Bob Campos serves, they rally twice over the net and then VV hits the ball long for the final point, the game, the set and the match!

Summer Mixed Doubles League

Matches are underway for the Bay Area Tennis 2005 Summer Mixed Doubles League, with a total of 12 teams competing in the combined 4.0/4.5 "A" Division, and 32 teams competing in a combined 3.0/3.5 "B" Division. Each team has been assigned a minimum of 10 matches to schedule on their own and then report back the scores using the league website. Teams will then get a chance to compete for bragging rights of "League Champion" at the upcoming End Of Season Tournament, to be held September 10th & 11th at Saint Mary's College in Moraga. More information about the league can be found at <http://BayAreaTennis.com>.

Attention ALL Tennis Players

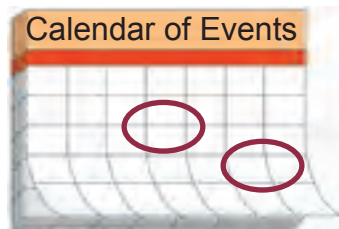
Please read these reminders for a fair and equal allocation of court times.

1. All players must check in at the Pro shop PRIOR to occupying a tennis court.
2. Players must either possess a current court use card or pay a daily fee.
3. One player may go on the waiting list but must have at least two players to occupy a court.
4. Any open court, including court 9 not signed for will be considered an open court, and no waiting list will be kept until all courts are signed in. Players may resign for a court if no one is waiting for a court and their original time has expired.
5. When players change courts or switch players on any court, the original start time prevails. Players on the wait list may occupy any court where the original start time has expired. If there is no one on the wait list, players may resign for an open court, but all players must sign in.

Please don't ask the staff the staff to violate the rules and help them provide everyone with an equal opportunity to play. Thanks in advance for your cooperation. The Tennis Center



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Aug

- 5-7** Adult League – USTA Districts
26-28 Adult League – USTA Sectionals

Sept

- Adult Nationals – USTA
 Super Senior 60 – USTA local league matches
10-11 WCRC Singes & Doubles Club Championship
(may extend into weekend of 17-18)
9-11 50 Mixed – USTA local league matches
12-14 Super Senior 65 – USTA Sectionals
16-18 50 Mixed – USTA local league matches
24-25 WCRC Summer Singles Tournament – Round I
30 50 Mixed – USTA Sectionals

Oct

- Senior Nationals – USTA
 Adult Nationals – USTA
 CCTA League Tournament
 Register online for WCRC Turkey Tournament
1-2 WCRC Summer Singles Tournament – Round II
2 50 Mixed – USTA Sectionals
7-9 Super Senior 60 – USTA Sectionals
 Super Senior 60 – USTA Nationals

Nov

- Mixed League – USTA Nationals
 Register online for WCRC Winter Doubles 06
19 WCRC Turkey Tournament

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gabe Goldstein

Income Statement:
as of June 30, 2005



Income

Awards Banquet	4,760.00
Winter Doubles League	4,700.00
Interest	12.73
Advertising Income	805.00
Membership Dues	12,588.00
Board Dinner	25.00
Summer Singles League	8210.00
Calcutta Tournament	3,170.00
Valentines Tournament	140.00

Total Income **\$ 34,410.73**

Expenses

Paypal Fees	378.43
Nationals - 6.0 Seniors	500.00
Winter Doubles League	4,003.70
Awards Banquet '05	4,625.69
Club Championships '04	294.19
Winter Doubles '04	104.50
Donations	662.43
Dues & Subscriptions	25.00
Light Fund Payment	3,000.00
Membership Brochures	345.72
Member Directory	1,434.85
Newsletter	2,287.73
Non-Profit Fees	-10.03
Postage	668.84
Post Office Box Rental	58.00
Supplies	910.89
Website	557.40
Calcutta Tournament	4,038.21
Valentines Tournament	158.03

Total Expenses **\$ 24,469.19**

Profit (Loss) **\$ 9,941.54**

Balance June 30, 2005 **\$18,604.46**



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