

THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

March, 2017



Walnut Creek Mixed 55+ 7.0 team was HOT at Sectionals!

Caryl Kohler, Suzanne Garrett, Bob Garrett, Terri Hernandez, Cynthia Attiyeh, Karl Brown, Rob Corder, Glenn McBee, Julieta Leong, Corey Wilson, Faye Isaacson. Not pictured: Greg Backens, Ellen Baldwin, George Braue, Cherie Charbonneau.

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

March 2017



Glenn McBee
2017 WCRC President

Tired of the rain? These 40+ seasons are certainly challenging the will of all us to get these matches played, or at least rescheduled. Good luck! Perhaps you plan to escape the rain for a while and head down to Indian Wells. Make sure you bring your sun block and get some photos to share in a future newsletter.

What a great mixed tournament weekend, congratulations to all who won. Read more about the tournament on pages 4-7. Check out the photos here: <http://wcrc.zenfolio.com/p314271945>. There is still time to sign up for the WCRC Winter Doubles League on line at <http://wcrc.net/Leagues/SignUp.aspx>. Or you can fill out the form found on page 12.

Have you recently had a question about a rule during a match? Did it slow down play? It's a good idea to be familiar with the rules to keep play moving. For example, what's the rule when a player standing outside the court hits the ball or catches it before it bounces and claims the point because the ball was definitely going out of the correct court? For the answer, see rule 24 case #8. You can read the rules here - <http://assets.usta.com/assets/1/15/ITF%20-%20RoT%202010.pdf>

Thanks to all for completing our survey about your tennis experience in Walnut Creek. We plan to compile the survey results and combine with other data which will support how strong tennis is in Walnut Creek, and present to the city in the near future. We will also be calling on some of you to attend future city meetings to help raise our voice with the city so we can improve and increase access to well-maintained courts.

The CREEK is on the rise! No, I'm not talking about the rain... We have 8 Combo teams moving on to Districts, or beyond. And 6 of the teams will all be playing at the same place, at Broadstone TC. Congrats Combo teams!

Patrick Forden – M5.5 (Sectionals)

Krisztina Kohlhaas and her Fireballs – W6.5

Glenn McBee - M6.5

Tammie Snyder and her 2 teams - W7.5 and M7.5

Kranthi Tappita - M7.5

Debashis Panda - M8.5

Jason Swor - M9.5

Be well and we will see you on the courts!

Glenn

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EW MEMBERS

Welcome to Our **15 New Members**
Current Membership: **1244**

Ronald Bass	Walnut Creek	3.5	Jeffrey Mark Paull	Walnut Creek	3.0
Shirley Coke	Danville	3.5	Chris Perrin	Concord	4.0
Marci Dublin	Alamo	3.5	John Puckett	Fairfield	3.5
Gary Fiammengo	Walnut Creek	3.0	Betty Pytlewski	Walnut Creek	3.5
Jim Greig	Alamo	4.0	Richard Taylor	Walnut Creek	3.5
Lori Guariento	Danville	2.5	Doug Wisman	Concord	4.0
Ryan Lancour	Pleasant Hill	4.5	Chuck Wong	Danville	3.5
Valerie Mukherjee	Alamo	3.5			



Membership questions contact:
Glenn McBee at 925-984-6710
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What's Happening at the Courts?

Spring Classes & Summer Camps Spring Registration is ongoing. Summer Camp registration opens on March 1st. You can register and preview offerings online at lifetimeactivities.com or stop by the office.

Monthly Pass Holder's Specials: Lifetime Tennis is offering Cardio Tennis Clinics on Tuesday, March 14th. We are offering classes at 8-9 AM and 6-7:30PM. The clinic is FREE for all current Court Usage Pass Holders. Sign up or call the office today! (925) 945 0105

Want to Play with the Pro?: Our USPTA Certified Pros, Joe Noth and Duncan Leiggi will be hosting Round Robins every **Tuesday (9-11 AM)** and **Friday (8-10PM)**. Space is limited, so be sure to sign up in advance to hold your spot. (\$5.00 Pass Holders, \$10.00 Non-Pass Holders) See you on the courts!

Visit us online at lifetimeactivities.com or in the office at 1751 Heather Drive.

Please call with any questions at 925-945-0105.

WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles League Tournament

Fall Mixed Tournament Gets Rain-Free Weekend!

We were all on pins and needles as we moved toward our end-of-season tournament for the FALL Mixed League. We got lucky and the courts were dry so play began as scheduled on Friday, February 10.

Our season began in September with 15 teams playing 6.0, 33 teams playing 7.0, 29 teams playing 8.0 and just 4 teams at the 9.0 level. With almost 5 1/2 months to play matches, some teams were even challenged to qualify for the tournament despite our dropping the qualifying number from 6 to 4.

When Sunday arrived, here's how the finals settled out:
6.0 Wolford & Young defeated Hedges & Alano
7.0 Seta & Roh defeated Pintado & Brodhead
8.0 Maloney & Geren defeated Krapf & Feinberg
9.0 Chan & Geren defeated Mcaneney & Greenwald

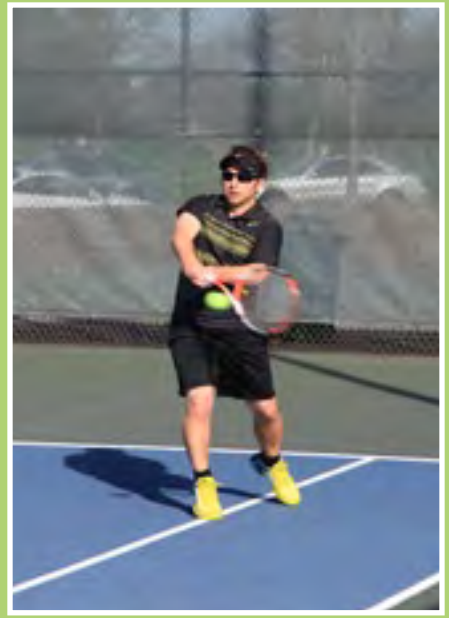
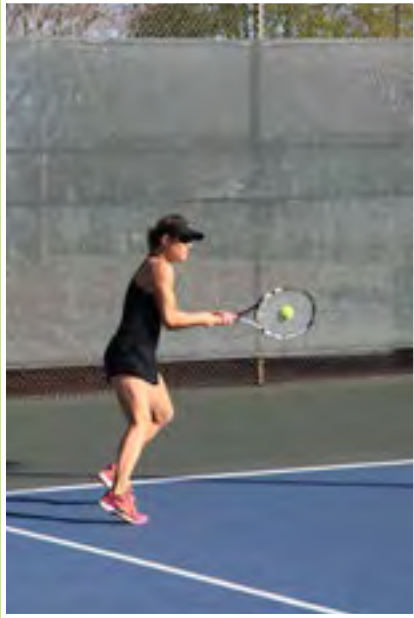
Bob Walgren (accompanied by Neil Dawson) did his usual super job of running the desk and keeping the tournament moving.

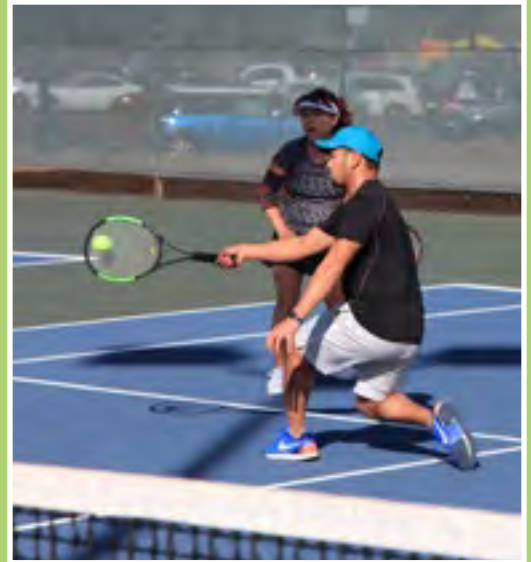
I always love watching the good, competitive tennis at this event and this year was no exception. Thanks to all of you who played the league and the tournament.

Thanks to everyone who helped make this tournament a success! Looking forward to next year!

Pam Maloney







WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles League Tournament Winners & Finalists



6.0 Mixed

**Leonard Young & Vangie Wolford def.
Matthew Hedges & Geraldine Alano
7-5, 6-2**



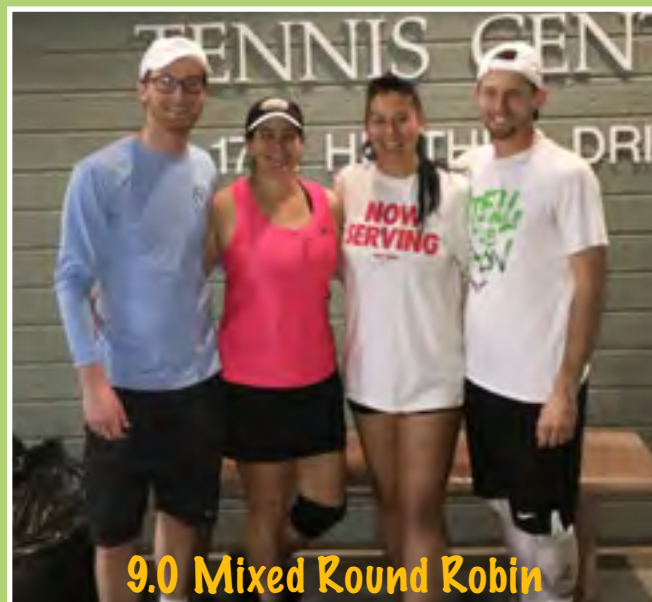
7.0 Mixed

**Chris Seta & Euna Roh def.
David Pintado & Devon Brodhead
6-1, 4-6, 6-0**



8.0 Mixed

**Danny Geren & Denise Maloney def.
Elliot Feinberg & Sally Krapf
4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (3)**



9.0 Mixed Round Robin

**Danny Geren & Natalie Chan def.
Nick Greenwald & Shari McAnneny
6-4, 6-3
McAnneny/Greenwald def. Feinberg/Franco
2-6, 6-4, 6-4**



Tennis News



VALLEY VISTA RACQUET CLUB

The Valley Vista Racquet Club is Alive and Well!

We are happy to report to the local community that tennis lives on at the end of Valley Vista Road in the form of the Valley Vista Racquet Club.

It's true that Valley Vista was closed for a short time, but thankfully, our tennis club is still alive! Here are the facts from the beginning:

- LSI (the parent company of ClubSport Valley Vista) wanted to close the CSVV facility in Jan 2016 in order to begin the rezoning process to sell the land for development.
- Members organized to put in an offer to buy the property but could not get close enough to the asking price.
- Carondelet High School put in an offer for the facility that was accepted by LSI in February 2016, and LSI kept the club open through May, finally closing CSVV for good on May 31, 2016.
- The Valley Vista Racquet Club was incorporated on March 11, 2016 as a 501c3 nonprofit organization run by a volunteer board of directors drawn from the membership.
- VVRC negotiated a lease agreement with LSI and reopened the tennis courts two weeks later on June 15, 2016.
- Members played on and maintained the courts from June until December 11, 2016, when the club was closed to begin the construction of the Carondelet Athletic Complex.
- Carondelet closed escrow on the property on January 17, 2017.
- The Valley Vista Racquet Club negotiated a lease agreement with Carondelet and recently reopened on February 20, 2017.

During construction of the Carondelet Athletic Complex, VVRC will operate on four courts with a temporary entrance directly into the courts. When construction of the CAC is complete, VVRC will have six courts and an entrance through the main clubhouse. Carondelet is targeting a completion date of August 14, 2017, and their extensive facility will include a new pool, a soccer/lacrosse field, a softball field and six tennis courts for the use of their student athletes and community partners.

Our new VVRC home is an intimate place with the same stunning vista of Mt Diablo and the sunsets we have always treasured....and most importantly, a place to keep our tennis family together. As the only two tennis clubs in the city of Walnut Creek, Valley Vista and WCRC have always shared a special bond, and now both clubs are 501c3 community tennis associations, too. We are very appreciative of all the help and support that VVRC received from Sterling Fairholm and the Walnut Creek Racquet Club through our struggle. Because of a strong community effort, VVRC can now look forward to many happy hours of tennis with WCRC in years to come!

Liz Nomura, President

Elaine Hennessy, Secretary

Valley Vista Racquet Club

www.valleyvistaracquetclub.org



Tennis News



I am writing to you in regard to a Triathlon I will be participating in June with my father. We will be taking the dive off a ferry boat into the frigid water of the bay on June 11th to participate in the Escape from Alcatraz Triathlon. I am on a fundraising team for a San Francisco based Charity called R.O.C.K. My father and I were also interviewed for their magazine because we are the first father-daughter duo to be on their team and run this race together. It should be coming out in the next few weeks or so.

Some info on R.O.C.K.:

R.O.C.K. is the only non-profit competing in the 2017 race that locally supports SF children. R.O.C.K. aims to promote the positive development and long-term success of the youth that it serves through a combination of in-school, after school and summer learning enrichment, sports and fitness, leadership training and outdoor adventure opportunities. R.O.C.K.'s programs are designed to serve girls and boys, ages 6-17, who live in or attend school in San Francisco's Visitacion Valley. For more information, visit www.rocksf.org.



I also am in contact with the coordinator for my team and may be volunteering for them soon to see how everything works. They are branching into Tennis for the first time this summer but I am waiting for details.

Now I think this charity is pretty cool but to run this race I need help raising the money to be able to participate. My Goal is 5,000 but I must reach a minimum of 2,000 to participate.

I would be honored if you could help me out with this hefty goal of mine. If you follow the link below it should take you to my Crowdrise page. Crowdrise is an awesome platform for our use because it provides a receipt to be able to write off the amount donated. You are welcome to check out the other participants who are also on my team.

<https://www.crowdrise.com/team-rock-escape-from-alcatraz-triathlon/fundraiser/kelseygee>

Thank you!!
Kelsey Gee



Tennis News



Walnut Creek Mixed 55+ 7.0 team was HOT!

by Glenn McBee

Our team was feeling it at Sectionals, winning our flight at 3-0. We beat a tough Bay Trees team in the Semi Finals 2-1. We then had to face an even tougher team in Sunnyvale for the Finals. Our players were at their best, and it was fun to watch such good tennis. We came up a little short, losing 1-2. It was a great weekend to be sure, one to remember. WAY TO GO CREEK!

Our Finals players – Suzanne and Karl, Julieta and Corey and Caryl and Bob. Looking good CREEK!



Mixed 55 & Over Sectional Championship Scoreboard

USTA LEAGUE

NTRP Level: 7.0
GENDER: MIX
Flight: 1

	MARIN TC	CARSON TC	WALNUT CREEK RC	CUPERTINO TC
MARIN TC		0 1 5	0 0 6 1 2 2	
CARSON TC	1 2 4		0 0 6 1 2 2	2 4
WALNUT CREEK RC	1 3 2	1 3 1		1 2 3
CUPERTINO TC	0 1 5	0 1 4	0 1 4	

Perhaps our toughest match during flight play was against Cupertino, winning the match 2-1, and losing 3 sets. We then swept Carson and Marin. Whoot, whoot!

Sitting courtside at the beautiful Broadstone TC, watching Julieta and Corey continue their undefeated weekend!

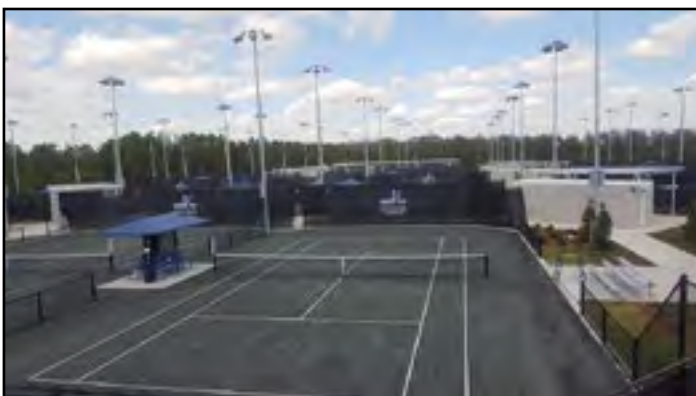




Tennis News



WCRC Members Krisztina Kohlhaas and Mike Yukus visited the USA National Campus in Orlando, FL, a 100 court facility that opened a month earlier. They have 100 courts overall, including several Har-Tru clay courts, and Smart Courts, where you can have your match videotaped using the Playsight app. They took a pretty intense drilling class on the clay with an excellent high-energy instructor, and taped a couple of singles sets. Every Friday during the collegiate tennis season, they have College Match Night. They saw a women's match, North Carolina (who has the #2 ranked singles player in the nation) vs. Texas Tech, which was lots of fun. It looks like everyone should check this place out if you are in the Orlando area! Also, it looks like most of the Nationals will be moved there in the future.



WCRC Men's & Women's 2017 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
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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

On-Line Registration will remain open until **March 30, 2017**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **February 28, 2017** with a check for registration fees (payable to WCRC) to: WCRC, 25 Binnacle Hill, Oakland, CA 94618.

Questions? Call Lynne Weinshelbaum at 925-285-9503 or via e-mail lweinshelbaum@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. **A minimum of 4 teams are required to generate a draw.**

The league runs from December 5, 2016 - May 14, 2017. The tournament will run the weekend of May 19th.

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

2017

Mar

Mar 6	USTA 65+ Season Opens
Mar 26	USTA 40+ Season Closes
Mar 26	USTA 40+ Mixed Season Closes
Mar 27	USTA 18+ Team Season Opens
Mar 31-Apr 2	USTA 40+ Playoffs Round 1

Apr

Apr 7-9	USTA 40+ Mixed Playoffs Round 1
Apr 14-16	USTA 40+ Playoffs Round 2
Apr 21-23	USTA 40+ Mixed Playoffs Round 2
Apr 24	USTA 55+ Team Registration Opens
Apr 24	USTA 18+ Mixed Team Registration Opens

May

May 22	USTA 55+ Team Registration Closes
May 22	USTA 18+ Mixed Team Registration Closes
May 26	USTA 65+ Season Closes
May 29-Jun 2	USTA 65+ Playoffs Round 1

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of January 30, 2017



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January 2017

	<u>Jan '17</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
League Dues	3,160.44
Membership Dues	<u>2,426.03</u>
Total Income	5,586.47
Expense	
League Expenses	840.20
Office Supplies	15.04
Professional Fees	75.00
Porta-Potty	106.33
Website	109.85
Printing and Reproduct...	90.94
Sectionals Fees	90.00
Board Meeting	155.73
Bank Service Charges	15.00
District Fees	<u>270.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>1,768.09</u>
Net Ordinary Income	3,818.38
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	<u>0.46</u>
Total Other Income	<u>0.46</u>
Net Other Income	<u>0.46</u>
Net Income	<u><u>3,818.84</u></u>

Balance as of January 31, 2017 \$38,119.66



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Winter Doubles League - Standings

Men's

	W	L
3.5		
4.0 Searme/Nguyen	3	1
4.5 Geren/Baier	3	0

Women's

	W	L
3.0 Hughes/Walton	3	0
3.5 Nasstrom/Attiyeh	4	1
4.0 Holmes/Bazulina	3	0
4.5/5.0		