

WALNUT CREEK RACQUET CLUB
BOARD MEETING – SEPT. 9, 2008
Sports Basement

Meeting Attendees: Tammie S., Adam, Lynne, Bret, Myrl, Don L., Janet and Deanna

Absent: Shari Gonzalez, Pam Maloney, Tammy Chan, Pege, Susie, Jennifer.

1. **REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** The Board reviewed and approved minutes from the meeting held on August 11, 2008.
2. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Lynne reported a balance of \$17,000 through end of August. She also had a question about Advertising Revenue and what tax implications there might be for our non-profit organization. She will follow up with Gabe.
3. **MEMBERSHIP REPORT:**
 - Janet will give Pege extra copies of Membership Directory to send to new members.
 - Pege will send list of New Members to Tammie prior to leaving for vacation.
4. **FALL MIXED LEAGUE:** 94 teams are registered and play is underway. A decision will need to be made on whether or not an end of season tournament will be scheduled.
5. **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Confirmed that it has been canceled due to lack of interest.
6. **USTA UPDATE:**
 - Senior Season will begin soon and WCRC has 10 teams. Captain's Court Scheduling meeting is Thurs. 9/11.
 - Tammie will talk to Jennifer to find out if the Summer singles tournament will need all courts at Heather on 10/11 & 10/12. Without courts at Heather, it could make the Senior teams' court scheduling difficult.
 - A request came up to provide USTA Captains a list of rules/guidelines for etiquette for captains and their teams to follow.
7. **NEWSLETTER/DIRECTORY:** Nothing new to report. For Directory next year, could we consider using a Bulk Mailing service? Too much trouble and time involved with doing it ourselves.
8. **WINTER/SUMMER LEAGUES UPDATE**
 - No update on Summer League.
9. **WINTER PARTY:** Location will be Heather Farms Community Center (same place as last year) Theme will be Hawaiian.
10. **WEBSITE:**
 - Shari has been busy setting up and trouble shooting Mixed League and Website issues (some difficulty for Mac users).
 - No update on the Credit Card Vendor.
11. **2009 BOARD:**
 - Adam will be Club President for 2009
 - Officers/Members returning in current positions: Lynn (Treasurer), Deanna (Secretary), Bret (USTA Coordinator), Tammie (Newsletter)
 - Undecided: Myrl (New Member Liaison)
 - Not returning: Janet (Mailings) but she will continue duties through December.
 - Possible Opening: Vice President, Mailings

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Umbrellas and Coolers: Myrl spoke to Jim about umbrellas, he would rather see awnings mounted to fences.
 - Cost for awning w/set up: \$530.00 + \$50.00 for S/H for each unit.
 - i. Buy 3 or more, discount of 7% will be given.
 - Cost for awning (no set up) \$270.00 + (assume lower S/H costs?)
 - i. Bret will talk to Rich Miller (?) about willingness to construct/cost for constructing them.
- Try Awnings out on courts 1-3. See how they look, if they remain/don't get vandalized.

13. NEW ITEMS:

- Guests from USTA: Cheryl Silva (Juniors) and DeDee Winfield (Adults and Tournaments): WCRC becoming a CTA (Community Tennis Association) – Courtesy of the USTA website:
 - **A USTA Community Tennis Association (CTA) is “any incorporated, geographically defined, not-for-profit, volunteer-based tennis organization that supports or provides programs which promote and develop the growth of tennis.”** In essence, a CTA is a tennis-specific service organization. It is an organized group of dedicated volunteers and professionals who come together to support community tennis programs. As an association, the group works to coordinate and maintain programs and services and guarantees they are open and accessible to all. These tennis enthusiasts may act as advocates, program administrators, promoters, or fund-raisers. Fueled by local volunteers, this not-for-profit association exists to promote and develop the game of tennis in the community.
 - The fee is \$25 per year and entitles your group to voting rights and privileges not accorded individual members. **Member CTAs are also eligible for a variety of grants, scholarships, clinics, workshops, conferences, technical and program support** for their specific endeavors, and listing on our web pages. **NEW!** The USTA is offering an exciting **new Master Liability & Accident Insurance Program** for eligible Community Tennis Associations.
 - More information can be found on the USTA NorCal website under “Community Tennis”
 - WCRC was a CTA several years ago, in the past few years the Board did not express interest in renewing the CTA membership.
 - WCRC would just need to complete paperwork in order to be a CTA.
- PROS Update:
 - Don will prepare a short summary that lists the PROS and Barry Gordon's recommendation to WCRC to get the Walnut Creek City Council to appoint a Tennis Advisory Committee. Summary to be sent to Tammie, she will distribute to Board members for voting.

**Next Meeting will be Tues., Oct. 7, @ Sports Basement's Loft @ 6:30
(Tammie will inform Blossom @ Sports Basement)**