



THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the
Walnut Creek Racquet Club

April 2005

*Randy Jang serves one
up while Bob Walgren
waits to poach
the return.*

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Spring is Here... Or Is It?

The popular theory is that Spring will show up as soon as the rain gods relent, and we can all get out there and hit some balls, or try to.....



Gabe Goldstein
2005 WCRC President

The Saint Patrick's day tournament was rained out..... Oh well next year!!!

The next event is the winter doubles league tournament running through the weekend of April 8-10. The information I have indicates that the rain will be completed in good time for a fun filled weekend of tennis

Just a reminder.. Don't forget about Calcutta weekend on May 7-8. This event fill up quickly, so get your entry in soon!

The presentation of the ball machine to the River Middle School was successfully completed by yours truly with the very capable assistance of Robert Young (see more about this elsewhere in this newsletter)

It was truly gratifying to see the anticipation and excitement of the kids when they saw the ball machine I am sure that with the very capable guidance and instruction of Arlene Acosta, many new tennis stars will emerge!!

Congratulations and good luck to our senior teams at the Districts:

Martha Riffell and Marilyn Baker – 3.0 Ladies
Jim Farber and Bob Walgren – 4.0 Men

The skate park is set to open on the weekend of the Winter Doubles League tournament – should be an interesting exercise in group dynamics – with lots of patience required from all of us

With the adult league season ready to kick off this weekend, I wish you all lots of success and fun in the months ahead

See y'all on the courts ... soon

Gabe Goldstein



**New Member
Information
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Privacy**



Tennis News



New Captains Rules

Guidelines and Rules for Being Captain of Team that is Sponsored by WCRC & WCTC

1. All Captains must attend or send a representative to a court scheduling meeting in order to secure courts for home matches. If you are the Captain of a team, you will be contacted automatically via email when a Captain's meeting is scheduled. If you are in doubt about scheduling, check the wrc.net web site.

2. All team members, including Captains, must be a member in good standing of WCRC. This applies regardless of whether the individual is playing a match at home or away. A member in good standing is a person who is a current member of WCRC or has paid a single event fee. Captains can check the web site, www.wcrc.net, for player status.

3. All team members should, but are not required to, have a valid WCTC court usage card. If a team member does not have a valid court usage card, the appropriate fee shall be paid prior to playing a home match.

4. When home matches are played at Heather Farms, **prior** to the start of match the Captain is responsible for providing a written list of players to the office, along with the players' court usage numbers and any fees owed for players without a court usage card. Failure to provide the list and any fees due could result in immediate loss of courts causing the team to default.

5. When home matches are played using Walnut Creek City courts other than Heather Farms (i.e. Larkey, Rudgear, Northgate), the Captain is responsible for picking up a "Reserved Court" sign from the Heather Farms office and posting it on the appropriate courts at least 24 hours in advance of the match.

6. If a make-up home match date is needed, the Captain must contact the WCTC (Heather Farms) to secure another date. WCTC will allow a Captain to hold two tentative dates but encourages the Captain to contact them immediately upon hearing from your opponents so the unused date can be put back on the calendar for other teams.

7. If you are in the middle of playing a home match and it begins to rain, or some other reason causes your match to be delayed, you must check

with the WCTC (Heather Farms) office to see if there is another team's home match following yours. If there is, you may not be able to restart your match if there is a chance you won't be off the courts by the time the next match is scheduled. In this instance, you will have to contact WCTC for another date. (See #6 above.)

8. In the event that a Captain has any team members who are not WCRC members, the Captain will be contacted and given 7 days to bring his/her team into compliance with the rule. If the Captain does not comply, he/she will immediately forfeit any reserved court times at Heather Farm, Larkey, Rudgear and Northgate. If the Captain brings the team into compliance after the 7 days, courts will be reassigned by the USTA Coordinator based on availability.

From Indian Wells

We wanted to share this photo of **Shirley Nagle**

and **Maria Caven**

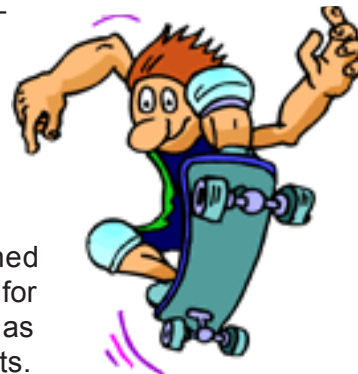
with their new hitting partners from Indian Wells. In case you don't recognize them,

it's **Rene Stubbs** and **Lisa Raymond!**



Skate Park Ground breaking

Ground breaking for our Tennis Center's new neighbor adjacent to WCRC "The Skate Park" will begin on April 9. The finished product will include a 12,250 square foot skate park that will include amenities such as lighting, benches and a water fountain. The park is scheduled to be opened later in the summer. So for now, looks like parking as usual around the courts.



Tennis News

Winter Doubles Tournament

Despite one very rain winter, many of the 400+ people playing in Winter Doubles league are ready for even more competitive play at the April 8-10 tournament.

Heather Farms courts will be in full swing with some great tennis from 3.0 all the way to 5.0. The men's and women's 3.5 draws are quite large so some of those teams will be playing some pretournament matches so we can get everything into the 2-1/2 days.

This is WCRCS's fifth year offering this League and it gets more popular each year. For players who can't make the tournament, be sure to come by for the Friday evening bar-b-que and to pick up your souvenir gift for playing.

The tournament should wrap-up mid day on Sunday, April 10, with awards for the winners and a big thanks for everyone who makes this such a great event.



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TREASURER'S REPORT

Gabe Goldstein



Income Statement:
as of February 28, 2005

Income

Awards Banquet	4,285.00
Winter Doubles League	4,658.00
Interest	4.06
Advertising Income	780.00
Membership Dues	9,230.00
Valentines Tournament	180.00

Total Income 19,127.06

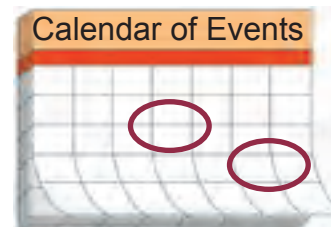
Expenses

Paypal Fees	96.29
Awards Banquet '05	3,997.27
Club Championships '04	294.19
Membership Brochures	345.72
Newsletter	1,073.18
Non-Profit Fees	-10.03
Postage	7.40
Post Office Box Rental	58.00
Supplies	506.05
Website	298.70
Calcutta Tournament	550.00
Valentines Tournament	158.03

Total Expenses 7,374.80

Profit (Loss) 11,752.26

Balance February 28, 2005 \$12,896.93



**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**



Register on-line for Calcutta

- 4:** Registration for USTA 50 Mixed opens
- 8-10:** WCRC Winter Doubles 05 Tournament
- 11:** Super Senior 65 - USTA Season opens
- 15-17:** Senior Leagues - USTA Districts

Calcutta Party & Tournament



Here's your chance to enter the most popular tournament that the WCRC offers each year - the 2005 Calcutta. Enter early, since the event is limited to the first 64 women and 64 men who register. The format is Mixed Doubles, but you enter individually. You will be paired with a partner by blind draw prior to the tournament and the resultant team given a handicap according to their combined playing abilities. At the Friday night party, you meet your partner and teams are auctioned off to the highest bidder - either individuals or syndicate. Start times will also be announced on Friday night.

Cost is \$20 per person (covers the Friday night party and Saturday tournament in which you are guaranteed a minimum of two matches). Guest may attend the Friday night party at no charge.

Entry deadline is April 30th. This is a money tournament, so it is important that you list your current NTRP rating on the registration form below. If you don't have a rating, call us and we can help. If you have any questions or can assist the Tournament Committee with various aspects of this event, please contact **Jennifer Scriabine** at 939-4328 or at scriabine@astound.net. All tournament participants must be current WCRC members.

In the WCRC's long Calcutta history, there have been very few instances where the team with the most collective talent ends up winning the tournament.

Sign up on line at www.wcrc.net

Calcutta Tournament Entry Form

Name: _____

USTA Rating: _____

Phone: _____

Email _____

Number in your party (including guests) _____

Please make checks payable to WCRC
(\$20 per player) and send with entry form to:

Gabe Goldstein
3075 Citrus Circle, Suite 205
Walnut Creek CA 94598

Questions?
Contact Jennifer Scriabine at (925) 939-4328
or at scriabine@astound.net

\$20 Per Player • Entry Deadline: April 30th



2005 Men's and Women's Summer Singles Leagues Registration Form



Full Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ Zip _____
 Home Phone _____
 Work Phone _____
 Cell Phone _____
 Email _____

T-shirt Size M L XL XXL
 T-shirt Type Regular V-neck* Tank top*

*V-neck and tank top in women's style only

Current Rating: 2.5 4.5
 3.0 5.0
 3.5 5.5
 4.0

I would like to enter the following division:

- Women's 2.5 Men's 3.0
- Women's 3.0 Men's 3.5
- Women's 3.5 Men's 4.0
- Women's 4.0 Men's 4.5
- Women's 4.5-5.0 Men's 5.0-5.5

I am a: WCRC Member (\$25)
 CCTA Member (\$25)
 Non-Member (\$35)

I am available to play matches:

- Weekday days Weekend mornings
- Weekday evenings Weekend afternoons

How did you hear about this league?

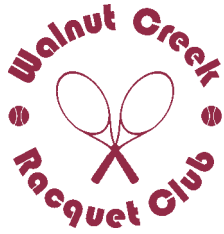
- I've played before
- From someone who has played before
- Email/Internet
- This newsletter

How many years have you played in this league?

- 7 6 5 4 3 2 1st yr

Dates: June 6th - September 18th
 Entry Fee: \$25 for WCRC Members
 \$35 for non-members
 Format: Men's Singles/Women's Singles
 15 week league season
 Divisions: Men's 3.0 - 5.5
 Women's 2.5 - 5.0
 Scheduling: 12 scheduled matches to be
 completed over 15 week season.
 Players are responsible for sched-
 uling their own matches. Players
 will be provided with a contact
 list of participants in their division.
 Match Format: Best two-out-of-three set format.
 12 point tiebreaker. Both players
 responsible for bringing new balls to
 match. Winner gets unopened can.
 Match Site: Any site mutually agreed upon
 Scoring: The winner is responsible for
 reporting the match score by logging
 on to www.wcrc.net.
 Standings: Division standing will be updated on
 a real time basis as scores are posted
 Tournament: End-of-season tournament with draw
 determined by league standings.
 Sept. 24-25 & Oct. 1-2
 Match Min.: 4 matches
 Deadline: May 15, 2005
 Checks to: WCRC
 PO Box 4574
 Walnut Creek, CA 94596
 Or Online: www.wcrc.net

Registration Deadline: May 15
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PRO'S CORNER



Tennis Programs Offered at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center:

InstaTennis - Learn to play tennis -fast! In only 4 short weeks (one class per week) we will make you a tennis player. These classes are for beginners and will teach you all of the basic fundamentals and strokes.

Classes begin the first Monday of every month, Cost: \$35 per 4-week class/per student.

Friday Evening Mixer - Supervised match play followed by beverage and snacks.

Mixers are every Friday 6-8 pm, Cost: \$10/per person (sign ups in the shop)

Saturday Clinics - Three different clinics.

Clinic #1: 1-2 pm Groundstrokes with emphasis on form and consistency

Clinic #2: 2-3 pm Net play which will include volleys, approach shots and overheads

Clinic #3 3-4 pm Serve and service returns

Cost: \$9 per hour/per person or \$25 per person for all three clinics.

Junior Programs - WCTC offers three Jr. Tennis programs at 6 week intervals year round.

Pee Wee	Ages 5-7	Fridays from 4:00 - 4:45 pm	Cost: \$60	Join: anytime
Jr. Development	Ages 8-16	Mon & Wed 4:00 - 5:30 pm	Cost: \$150	(Beginners/Adv. Beginners)
Jr. Excellence	Ages 8-16	Tues & Thurs. 4:00 - 5:30 pm	Cost: \$150	(Intermediate & Above)

Call the tennis center for class registration (925) 945-0105.