

January 13, 2009

## WCRC Board Mtg. - Minutes – Sports Chalet

Pre-Meeting Hoopla- Eva, Gina & Tiffany gave us a Tahitian demo to get us warmed up for the February Social Event. They obliged Tammie Snyder by wearing Creek's red and black and dazzled us with their moves. Pam & Nancy tried to mimic some of the more challenging moves while Tammie arranged the details for the upcoming party!

### Meeting Notes:

Present: Tammie Snyder, Pam Maloney, Nancy Foster, Janet Neilsen, Lynne Weinshelbaum, Maria Chiang, Nancy Le Sage, Deanna Fong, Bret Jones, Tammy Chan, Myrl & Leonard

### **Review of previous minutes** – Approved

**Treasurers Report** – Current balance \$15,600 (approximately) includes mixed income but not the mixed expenses. Certificate of Deposit renewed with the following terms - \$12,000 18 mo 2.33%. Robert has agreed that we can use his permit for mailing. His facility is full service mailing. So, permit was not renewed. Lynne will forward taxes to Gabe for tax filing. Member M.B. will be sent an invoice for October and November dues past due.

**Membership** – Tammie has been responding to members who are no longer receiving newsletter and Tammie has explained they need to get information from website. Bret indicates Dick Galt would like to receive it by regular mail. Tammie has agreed to check with the reported (90) members (per Janet) who want to receive one by mail. Tammie will attempt to move them to email and work with the opt out email.

**Fall Mixed League Update** – Pam thought it was a great success with a good turn-out. 7.0 & 8.0 were 32 round draws 6.0 was smaller. Water bottles were given to participants and blankets to both finalist and winners in each category. She has (2) extra blankets that can be used at the party (raffle). Catering was provided by a club member and plenty was left over for the next day.

**USTA Update** – Two issues discussed were asking all USTA members to join WCRC and encouraging USTA captains to find a balance between fielding competitive teams and encouraging new members and emerging tennis players to stay involved. Board supported Bret in continuing his efforts to get all USTA team members to pay their WCRC dues and agreed that play-off courts should be provided to teams in compliance. Bret mentioned that *Buddie Johnson 984-1102, [buddiej@msn.com](mailto:buddiej@msn.com) is contact to exchange advertising with golf club at the request of Bill Galt. This would be advertising exchange with no cost to either club.*

**Newsletter** – Tammie got lots of good comments about the baby page. She will work to get the numbers of mailed newsletters down.

**Winter/Summer League** – Deanna wondered if we could have paid chair massage at the summer tournament or at any other time at the club. Walk-ups would pay for the service.

The issue of liability was brought up and it was wondered if permission from the City of Walnut Creek was needed. Various scenarios were discussed. Discussion occurred around the possibilities of fees for massage businesses to promote at WCRC events. No definite policy was decided.

Winter is going well.

### **Website Update**

Calendar is being utilized on new website. All is moving along well. Estimated release date is February. Tammie suggested that the design of the header/banner be open to club members for input. It was agreed that an ad can go in the newsletter and a membership can be given in exchange for someone to design an acceptable header.

### **Party Update**

Shari G. is working on finding some young girls to help with the party. Tammy Chan discussed Maverick's as a caterer for the party. She shared the menu and kaluha pork, teriyaki chicken, rice & green salad for \$11.47/person includes tax & tip. This was the preferred menu among the board. Tammy will follow-up with desserts and appetizers. Estimates are 100 guests for the party. Tammy will arrange for decorations and drinks as well. See Tammy if you would like to help.

### **Board Dinner**

Back Forty offered a better menu to accept family style dining. Group was okay with the buffet. They do have corkage. Cost is \$28 for guest and free for board members. 25 people have been guaranteed. Let Tammy know if your plans change.

### **Charity at WCRC**

Shari has also raised the question of making charitable contributions if we have adequate proceeds from the events. Lynne mentioned that this could be brought to members and/or we have a tournament specifically dedicated to a charitable cause. Pam mentioned that charitable funds were raised at silent auction. She suggested this may be separate from general funds. Club matching funds could be considered. Several options were discussed. One proposal is to alert membership through the newsletter that there is interest in sponsoring charity events through the WCRC and give membership an opportunity to give consent. Tammie has suggested that Pam and Shari get together on this issue.

**Board Positions** – All filled except Treasurer. Bret was asked to consider taking on the president spot vacated by Adam.

**Unfinished Business – Marketing;** Pam has article for the newspaper about CTA award. Pam has spoken with Leo and Leo has requested that someone on the board meet with him to discuss our ongoing relationship. It was suggested that Pam and Bret might be good choices. Tammie also agreed that she would go if needed. Neither Leo nor Kevin can make dinner on the 24<sup>th</sup> although they were invited to jointly accept the CTA award. Leo will see if, Todd, another employee can attend. CTA is a Northern CA award (1 out of 200). WCRC received this award in both 2004 and 2008! Pam will follow-up with date

of meeting. Pam asked if Don Loeffler was still involved as a rep. Tammie does not know and suggested that Pam clarify what role he is playing. Bret suggested including the City of Walnut Creek in the charitable fund discussion.

**Awnings:** Bret courts 1, 2, & 3 be considered before adding other courts. Myrl asked if we can try for a grant for awnings. Pam & Bret offered encouragement by indicating that they had been turned down. Myrl wondered if the city could be asked if they have any budget for court improvements...specifically the awnings. Bret raised concerns about structures on 4 or 5 due to potential vandalism. He suggests trying the awnings on 1, 2 & 3 first and considers doing other courts later. There is a discount for doing more courts. Pam suggested negotiating for (3) now more later.

**2009 Calendar** – Needed by city of Walnut Creek.

*Winter Doubles Tournament:* April 17- 19 (Conflicts with mixed play-offs)

(May change- Tammie to confirm with Sherry)

*Calcutta:* May 15-16

*Mid-Summer Madness* – August 1 (Tammie to check with Sherry)

*Summer Singles Tournament:* Oct 2-4 and Oct 9 -11

*Proposed Oct 30<sup>th</sup> Halloween Tournament*

### **Adam Bon Voyage**

Princess Party – Pink Explosion – Tammie to work to Organize and keep us all informed

### **Tournament Helpers**

Pay for assistance for tournaments was discussed. It was noted that payment of approximately \$550 was made to an individual who helped with summer singles. Consensus was that people who committed an entire weekend to service may be compensated. Deanna wondered could it be cash or a court usage card. It was proposed that the member in charge of the tournament make the determination of whether or not they wish to allocate a portion of their budget for this position. It was agreed that \$300 would be allocated for a weekend \$500 for (2) weekend tournament with flexibility to add a bonus if director decides. Summer Singles, Winter Doubles, Mixed Doubles are the tournaments that qualify for the compensation. Compensation for the Calcutta will be considered if needed.

### **CTA Dinner**

Being held on January 24, 2009 at the San Ramon Marriot. Dinner starts at 6 pm. Tickets are \$50/person & include guest speaker on topic “How to Stand Out in A Crowded Room” and music. Tammy wants to include Bob Graham and his wife due to their contribution, as guest of the Board. Pam Mahoney will reserve a table for those attending and follow-up with board members not present. Board members will be subsidized 50% if they wish to go. (Present your ticket for rebate). Call (510)748-7373 to order tickets.

Next meeting February 10 @ 6:30 pm at Sports Basement.