

THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

December, 2011

Pat Beauchemin strikes
a solid forehand on his
way to becoming the
4.5 Men's Summer
Singles Winner.



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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Sterling Fairholm
2011 WCRC President

Happy Holidays WCRC,

The Combo season is winding down and the fight for playoff spots are tight.

For anyone who hasn't heard the USTA mixed season has been moved to mid-summer so we will have another round of Adult League before Mixed this coming year. For our Seniors there is a season starting January 2nd so if you haven't registered a team be sure to do so. If you haven't noticed the year end ratings have now been posted on the USTA Nor-Cal website. Log in and see if you got bumped to 5.0!

Our WCRC Fall Mixed league is in full swing. The tournament dates have been moved back to not interfere with Combo Playoffs so mark the dates on your calendar. That gives everyone some extra time to get the four matches to qualify for the tournament. Winter Doubles registration is now open so grab a partner and get signed up!

Have a wonderful December WCRC, see you next year!






**New Member
Information
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Lifetime Tennis

For over 6 years, Lifetime Tennis has been a proud host of the Family Giving Tree's Holiday Wish Drive. Join us in fulfilling the wishes of local children in need. Pick up a wish card today. Our tree is located in the front lobby at Heather Farm, 1751 Heather Drive, Walnut Creek. Deadline to return gifts is December 13th.



USTA Adult **Renewal Membership Special!**

Renew for just **5 years**, and receive the following:
USTA Racquet Backpack, US Open Hat, & US Open Tumbler (\$70 value)

*While supplies last. Offer non-transferable. The USTA reserves the right to discontinue this promotion. Expires 12/31/11.

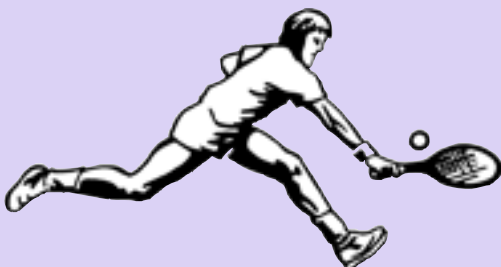
Promo Code: FVD11E



Now reduced pricing on all newsletter advertising. New Rate Information

	1x	2x	3x	4x	5x	6x	7x	8-12x
Full page insert	\$75	75	70	70	65	65	60	60
1/2 page	\$45	45	45	40	40	40	35	35
1/4 page	\$35	35	35	30	30	30	25	25
Business Card	\$25	25	25	20	20	20	15	15

For more information or to advertise in an upcoming issue, please contact Tammie Snyder at tammie@gte.net or call her at 925-957-0604



Do you have action shots of WCRC members? I'm always looking for great cover shots for the newsletter.
Submit any photos to Tammie at tammie@gte.net.





Lifetime Tennis

In light of the hole in the USTA schedule Lifetime Tennis has created some play opportunities:

1. Friday Night Play the Pro-Beginning the first Friday in January. Come out from 8:00-10:00PM every Friday and play our pro. Cost is \$4 for current pass holders/\$8 for non pass holders
2. Men's Rotational Doubles League (3.5-4.0) Monday evenings 1/23-3/12 from 8:00-10:00pm. Fee is \$32 for current pass holders/\$64 for non passholders
3. Several drop in clinics will be offered during the holiday season-Come in to the office and reserve a spot today. Space is limited to the first 8 that sign up for each clinic.

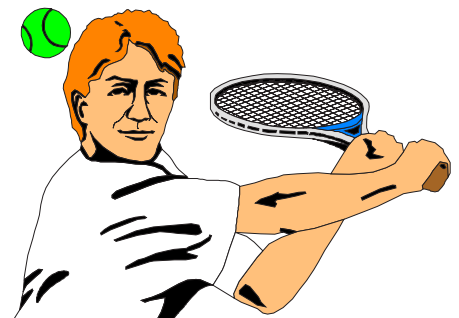
Holiday Drop-In Tennis

Pass Holders \$8, Resident \$13, Non Resident \$15

Saturday, Dec. 17 th	9:00-10:00 am	Int/Adv Adult
	10:00-11:00 am	Beg. Adult
Monday, Dec. 19 th	6:00-7:00 pm	Cardio Tennis
	7:00-8:00 pm	Beg. Adult
	8:00-9:00 pm	Men's Adv.
Wednesday, Dec. 21 st	6:00-7:00 pm	Doubles Strategy
	7:00-8:00 pm	Serve & Return
	8:00-9:00 pm	Cardio Tennis
Thursday, Dec. 22 nd	6:00-7:00 pm	Specialty Shots
	7:00-8:00 pm	Ladies Adv.
	8:00-9:00 pm	Men's Adv.
Wednesday, Dec. 28 th	6:00-7:00 pm	Adv. Beg Adult
	7:00-9:00pm	3.5 up Round Robin w/ the Pro
Thursday, Dec. 29 th	6:00-7:00 pm	Cardio Tennis
	7:00-9:00pm	3.0 under Round Robin w/ the Pro

(includes first 8 people to sign up)
(first 12 for Round Robin's)

Call the office at 945-0105 for details.



The B's Take 5th Place at Nationals!

by Meredith Young and Pip Wright

The Walnut Creek senior women 3.0B team (the "B's") represented Northern California at the National Championships in Indian Wells in late October. We won 3 out of 4 round robin matches and missed going to the semifinals by one individual match. Everyone played their hearts out and we had some amazing play to be proud of. The whole experience of being there -- representing Northern California, being treated like champions, enjoying each other and family and friends who came to cheer us on, everything -- was unforgettable.

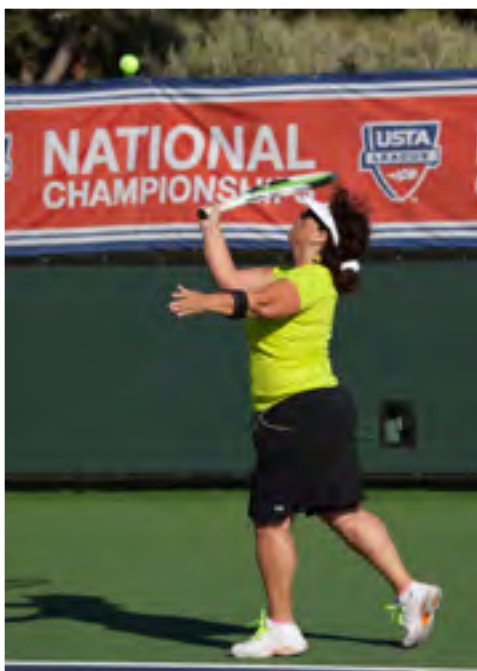
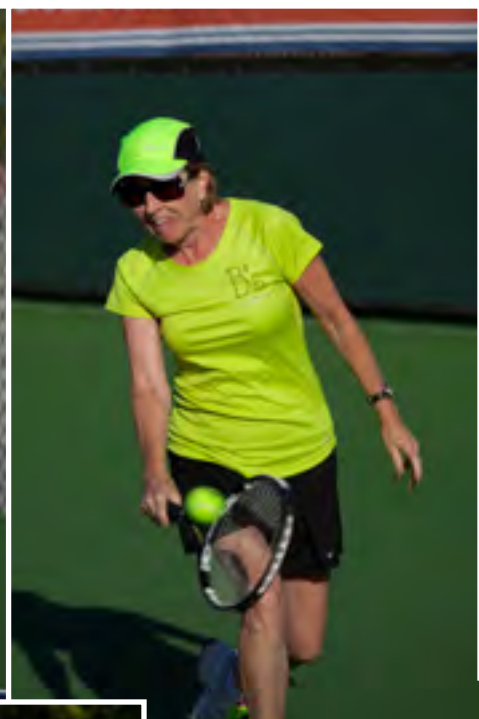
We want to thank the Walnut Creek Racquet Club for helping with our expenses and thank you to **Joe** and the Walnut Creek Tennis Center for the clinics that helped prepare us for the challenges we faced.

Thank you to **Leonard Young** who helped us all season with lessons and clinics and so much of his time.

Most importantly, Pip and I want to thank our wonderful teammates. This was a small team of only 10 players, but we never had to forfeit a line all season and we all played at Nationals. This was a very dedicated and close-knit group and we feel so fortunate to have been associated with each of them -- **Gyan Barringham, Ginny Eddy, Dee Hopfenspirger, Myrl Kan, Kristine Langenbahn, Sonja Nudel Snavelly, Linda Walling-Stove, and Kelly Williams.**

Thank you for a special year.





N A T I O N A L S



NATIONALS



WCRC Men's & Women's 2012 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? ☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ YES ☐ NO

Division for which you are registering (please check one): NTRP (check one)

- ☐ Men's 3.0
- ☐ Men's 3.5
- ☐ Men's 4.0
- ☐ Men's 4.5
- ☐ Men's 5.0/5.5

- ☐ Women's 2.5
- ☐ Women's 3.0
- ☐ Women's 3.5
- ☐ Women's 4.0
- ☐ Women's 4.5/5.0

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):

- * \$45 per team (both Walnut Creek Racquet Club Members) • **\$35 per team for on-line registration**
- * \$55 per team (one WCRC Member, one non-member) • **\$45 per team for on-line registration**
- * \$65 per team (both non WCRC members) • **\$55 per team for on-line registration**

On-Line Registration will remain open until **February 1, 2012**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **January 25th, 2012** with a check for registration fees (payable to WCRC) to: WCRC, 1755 Trinity Avenue, #22, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

Questions? Call Cory Carr at 925-324-8886 or via e-mail coryccarr@gmail.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 not playing below 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.

Once League play is complete and registration for the end-of-League Tournament begins, a player may enter the Tournament at more than one level. However, if scheduling problems arise the Tournament Director will require the player with a conflict to forfeit the division of his/her choice. **No exceptions will be made for match rescheduling if this situation arises.**



Tennis News



Senior Sectional 60's

by Gerry Brown

Your Walnut Creek Racquet Club Senior 60 team consisting of **Gerald Brown, Francis Chan, Frank Concepcion, Anthony Farley, Robert Ingalls, Michael Jetland, Dexter Loo, Charles Seymour, Edward Streegan, Max Sylver, Denis Weil, Jack Whiteford, Robert Young, and Angelo "Buzz" Zanazzi** recently competed in the USTA Sectional Championships in the beautiful Carmel Valley.

The weather was absolutely spectacular and the matches began on Friday at the Chamisal Tennis and Spa hidden away in this picturesque little valley. Inspired by the setting and the excitement that surrounds the Sectional championships, the WCRC team jumped out to a fun and exciting start with a 2-1 win over the team from San Francisco's Olympic Club.

WCRC winners on the day were Rob Ingalls and Ed Streegan in straight sets, and Max Sylver and Buzz Zanazzi in a nail-biting, winner take all 3rd set tie breaker.

With one win under our belts, the team members and wives celebrated with a seafood and wine venture on the Wharf at Monterey Bay.

Saturday morning's venue was the Pebble Beach Bath and Tennis Club located a stones throw from a spectacular little strip of white sand beach. With two matches to play, we did our best strategizing as first up was Courtside from Santa Clara. They had lost their first match to Greater Vallejo. Yet despite our best efforts, we came up on the short end of the 2-1 score with Ed and Rob repeating their earlier win at Chamisal.

The good news, however, was that all four teams were tied going into the last match with almost identical records of matches, sets, and games won and lost. So with a decisive win against a very talented Vallejo Team, we had a mathematical chance of playing again on Sunday for the right to go to the USTA Nationals in Tucson, Arizona.

Armed with our best resolve and some fresh faces, we took the courts to once again give it our all. But as fate would have it – one of those "anything-can- happen" tie

breakers snuck on to our side of the ledger.

So despite some inspired and gutsy tennis from everyone – we came up on the short end of 2-1 score as Max and Buzz were our winners – notching their second win of the tournament.

As a result Vallejo won our side of the draw, and in the Sunday finals played Pinole, the winners of the other bracket, Pinole, which was also representing Diablo North, defeated Vallejo 2-1 and will be going to Tucson. We wish them the best of luck and a safe trip.

We were not the Champions, but nevertheless, we were winners as we all had a great time and another fun experience competing in Sectionals. Everyone who could make the trip was able to play. In fact, Denis Weil got his first taste of USTA Championship play and all the pressure and excitement it entails.

Certainly we hope to make it back next year for 3 years in row, and another opportunity to win it all and play at the USTA Nationals. However, if we do not, we will savor our memories, and tell lots of lies about how good we were – as it is always fun and the camaraderie at these events is certainly worth the trip.

So thanks to all the players and to the Walnut Creek Racquet Club and Life Time Tennis for offering us such a fantastic club and venue to call home. We greatly appreciate your efforts.

See you on the courts !!!



CALENDER OF EVENTS



Dec. 11	USTA Combo League Ends
Dec. 26	USTA Super Senior 65 Team Registration



Jan. 2	USTA Senior Team League Opens
Jan. 8	WCRC Mixed Doubles End
Jan. 30	USTA Adult League Team Registration



Feb. 6	USTA Super Senior Team Registration
Feb. 22	USTA Super Senior 65 League Opens

MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE UPDATE

So far this Fall the weather has been pretty cooperative and the 112 teams playing the Mixed Doubles League are having some great matches! Of course, all of this is leading up to the end-of-season tournament which is now scheduled for January 27-29. The date was changed to accommodate the many folks who anticipate having their combo matches on the originally scheduled dates.

Put the tournament dates on your calendar and come out to watch some great tennis. In the meantime, we'll see you on the courts!

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of October 31, 2011



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January through October 2011

	Jan - Oct '11
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Advertising Income	880.00
Calcutta Auction	2,002.20
League Dues	12,073.08
Membership Dues	18,365.96
Tournament Dues	1,497.80
Total Income	34,819.04
Expense	
Audio Rental	212.98
Bank Service Charges	107.00
Board Meeting	937.27
Calcutta Expenses	2,302.20
Court Resurfacing	20,000.00
Dues and Subscriptions	195.00
Embroidery	6,051.89
Fall Mixed Tournament Expenses	300.00
Filling Fees	55.00
Gifts	300.00
Locks	12.01
Nationals Stipend	1,000.00
Office Supplies	76.66
Porta-Potty	749.49
Post Office Box	125.68
Postage and Delivery	699.48
Printing and Reproduction	4,611.46
Professional Fees	225.00
Rental Deposit	650.00
Rental Fees	200.00
Repairs	99.39
Silk Screening Costs	500.00
Software	629.00
Summer Singles Tournament Expen	300.00
SUSPENSE	584.42
Tax Preparation	295.00
Taxes	50.00
Tennis Balls	376.49
Tournament Food	5,258.43
Trophies	84.23
Uniforms	812.24
Website	1,954.35
Winter Doubles Expenses	140.00
Total Expense	49,894.67
Net Ordinary Income	-15,075.63
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	12.56
Total Other Income	12.56
Net Other Income	12.56
Net Income	-15,063.07

Deadline for the **January** issue
is **Monday, December 26th.**



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Mixed Doubles League - Standings

6.0

Susan Sovik/John Sovik

W

L

7

1

7.0

Rose Madrid/Joe Navejas

7

2

8.0

Debra Goettsch/Karl Brown

9

0

9.0

Fenny Widjaja/Juan Cedeno

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