

THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

April, 2013

A man in a blue Adidas t-shirt, grey shorts, a white cap, and a black knee brace is in a ready position on a tennis court, holding a yellow and black tennis racket. A chain-link fence is in the background.

**Craig Smith
crushes a
huge serve!**

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Sterling Fairholm
2013 WCRC President

Happy April WCRC

We have another sectional champion to add to our list for a fantastic end to the 2012 USTA season. Congratulations to **Jeff Wong's 8.5 men's team**

for taking care of business in Fresno and winning a very tight combo sectional championship. Also another congratulations to Jeff Wong's Tri-Level team that went down to Indian Wells and represented the WCRC well with a strong second place finish a mere tiebreak away from winning it all.

USTA 40+ season has ended and we have a few teams in the playoffs fighting for the chance at districts. With an expanded 5 line format in playoffs and beyond it should be interesting, good luck to everyone. Adult League starts this week and we have another huge turn out this year with 23 teams are signed up. Should be a great season!

The most popular event of the year The **Calcutta Tournament** is a month away with the auction on May 3rd and the tournament on the 4th. See page 10 for the details!

See you on the courts!

Sterling



The 2013 Board has a few positions open. If you are interested in joining the WCRC Board please contact any board member for details. You can also check out any board positions responsibilities on line at: www.wcrc.net/

About/Board.aspx.

Contact Sterling Fairholm with any questions at sterling@fairholminsurace.com



**New Member
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AWARD-WINNING TENNIS BENEFIT FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

Saturday, June 22, 2013 at Orindawoods Tennis Club

AM Clinics with Local Tennis Pros

PM Tournament of Champions

Gourmet Lunch & Raffle (registration includes raffle ticket)

Ace It! benefits Alta Bates Summit Foundation

CAROL ANN READ BREAST HEALTH CENTER

All of your contribution is tax-deductible

Please join us for a fun day of tennis and friends!

For more information please visit:

www.orindawoodstennis.com

ACE IT! REGISTRATION FORM 2013

Name: _____ Rating: _____

Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Address: _____

IF ENTERING WITH A PARTNER PLEASE INDICATE NAME, CURRENT RATING,
AND INCLUDE BOTH PAYMENTS WITH THIS FORM.

Name: _____ Rating: _____

Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Address: _____

**ACE IT! IS HOLDING THE LINE ON 2013 DONATION AMOUNTS BECAUSE OF
THE ECONOMY, BUT YOU ARE FREE TO DONATE MORE IF YOU ARE ABLE**

___ AM ONLY: 8:30 AM – 1PM (Clinics, Lunch & Raffle) **Donation: \$75.00**

___ PM ONLY: NOON – 4PM (Lunch, Raffle, tournament) **Donation: \$75.00**

___ FULL EVENT: 8:30 am – 4 PM (Warm-Up, Clinics, Lunch, Raffle &
Tournament) **Donation: \$125.00**

___ LUNCH TICKET: Anytime (Lunch, Raffle & Cheers!!) **Donation: \$25.00**

___ SUPPORT ONLY: Cannot Attend; **Donation: \$_____**

In honor of: _____

PLEASE INDICATE PLAYING PREFERENCE FOR THE TOURNAMENT. WE
WILL TRY TO ACCOMMODATE AS MANY AS POSSIBLE!

___ Mixed Doubles
___ Men's Doubles

___ Women's Doubles
___ No Preference

Make checks payable to: **ALTA BATES SUMMIT FOUNDATION**

Mail this registration form, along with your check to:

Ace It! at Orindawoods

P.O. Box 2087, Orinda, CA 94563



Pleasant Hill Tennis Club Presents 2013 Spring Team Tennis

The new season starts April 21st through May 19th, Sunday afternoons at Pleasant Hill Tennis Club. Format is Team Tennis consisting of men's doubles, women's doubles, combo men's and women's doubles (3.5 and 3.0 level combined) and two mixed doubles. Singles to be determined. Registration is \$30 per person for five weeks of fun yet competitive tennis with a tournament to be held on June 2nd with food and prizes. Pre-registration, send check to Chris Rasclé at 365 Grapevine Place, Pleasant Hill 94523.

For more information email ContraCostaTeamTennis@gmail.com

Signups begin February 14th for pre-registration. Online signups coming in March at Top Dog Tennis.

This league is for 3.5 level and below. Reserve your spot early as this fills up fast. This is an open league with all fellow tennis players welcome. No membership required.



What's Happening at the Courts?

Spring Tennis Classes

The month of April is the start of our Spring Lessons, and classes are filling up quickly. The Men's Advance Drill, Ladies' Drill and Play, and Doubles Strategy are great way to get ready for your Adult session.

Demo Racquets

We also have all the new rackets for demo. The new Steam 99S and 105S are very popular thanks to their 16x15 string pattern, which helps to increase spin and power. The Blades have a new look this year, and the AeroPro line is ready for demo as well.

Monthly Pass Holder's Specials

Lifetime Tennis will be offering to pass holders a string special in the month of April. Have your rackets strung with us and receive a free overgrip as well as 1 can of tennis balls to help you get ready for the Adults Season.

This just in!

**10% off EVERYTHING
at Sports Basement
for Walnut Creek
Racquet Club
ALWAYS!**

Do you need a better excuse to shop?

Just say "Walnut Creek Racquet Club" at
the registers!

As a SB partner WCRC receive a discount
EVERYDAY!

*Not good on ticket sales.

code: NR2_WC_RacquetClub

Sports Basement

Where's Sports Basement?
1881 Ygnacio Valley Rd.
Walnut Creek, CA 94598



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RENTALS**



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Secret: there is no actual basement!



8.5 Combo Men Section Champions!

by Yoshi Manabe

Thanks to everyone for playing on this team and we got it done in Fresno yesterday!!!

I know this was one of titles missing from Jeff's resume and glad that we survived a tough competition at Sectionals.

1st match against Sierra - **Alex** and **Yoshi** were playing for the first time and made a quick work our opponents winning in straight sets. **Pete** and **Danny** (is playing @ 80%) delivered a routine victory for our team. **Pat** and **Garvin** got to play on the center court while about 20 of Sierra members were cheering against them. After winning the first set, they had a big lead in the second set, but decided to make it exciting and finished strong at the end.

The highlight was obviously our favorite Brazilian BBQ. Not sure if the restaurant is going to be in business after how much we ate. Good times for sure!!!



2nd match against Gold River - Gold River's captain, **Venu** talking so much trash, we wanted to put a beat down on them. Alex and I were upset that we had to play on Court 20 (all the way back), so decided to get off the court quickly.

Rick and Garvin were in a very tight battle. They were up 2 breaks in the second set, but Rick managed to lose 2 service games in a row. Perhaps, you should have driven out earlier the night before to have Brazilian BBQ with us??? There were a lot of great points and Garvin even hit a tweener. Definitely a great effort though.

Our golden pair of Pete and Danny were locked in a tight battle as well. They won the first set pretty comfortably and lost a very tight tiebreak in the second set. The third set tiebreak was really exciting, but lost a close one (11-9).

Venu said, "I lost to you, but I won as a captain." So I said, "At least I gave you 3 games." Funny guy!!!

Since we swept on Saturday, we were NOT completely out yet. We just had to beat Salesian HS (They were 2-0 after their first 2 matches.) for the title.

3rd match against Salesian HS - So this was the match of the season. **Rick** and Garvin bounced back from the loss in the morning and won in straight sets, so all we had to do was to pull out one of the remaining lines.

Danny played awesome even though he was hurt, but Danny and Pete played a tough pair and lost in 2 very tight sets. It came down to our match at the end. Alex played tough at the net and we were able to pull it out in straight sets.

The bad news is that we have to break up next year, but oh well. Cold beers tasted so good after our victory!!!

Thanks everyone for a great season!!!





The NorCal CWRC Tri-level team made it all the way to the finals of the 2013 BNP Paribas Nationals. WCRC Tri-Level roster: Captain: Carlos Carbajal; Co-Captain: **Jeff Wong; Martin Nuñez, Peter Palmer, Yoshi Manabe, Danny Miranda, Jeff Williams, Jay Bains, Mark Jimenez, Varun Donekl, Greg Hixson.**

In the group stage, NorCal finished first with 3 wins over The Caribbean [Puerto Rico], Southwest [Phoenix AZ], and Hawaii. In the Semifinals NorCal won vs. Missouri and made the Finals vs. Texas.

Texas had almost every player in their lineup bumped up a level and a couple of them bumped up two levels [from 3.5 to 4.5]. The match was very close. First, Texas won the 3.5 line. NorCal was up a set and up 5-4 in the second set in the 4.0 line. NorCal's 4.5 team lost in a 10 point third set tie break, which gave Texas the win so the 4.0 line stopped playing since Texas had already won two lines.



Congratulations to the whole team for finishing second in the Nation at the 2013 Tri-level Nationals BNP Paribas competition. The 2013 NorCal's WCRC Tri-level team is staying together and looking forward to making another run during the 2014 tournament.



Calcutta Party & Tournament: May 3-4

Here's your chance to enter the most popular tournament that the WCRC offers each year - the 2013 Calcutta. Enter early, since the event is limited to the first 32 women and 32 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 resulting 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 **May 3rd** and Saturday tournament **May 4th** in which you are guaranteed a minimum of two matches). Guests may attend the Friday night party at no charge.



Entry deadline is April 28th. 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 **Tammie Snyder** at 957-0604 or at tammie@gte.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 and bring home the money!!!!

Sign up on line at www.wcrc.net

Calcutta Tournament Entry Form

Name: _____

USTA Rating: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Number in your party (including guests) _____

I can help score keep ☐

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

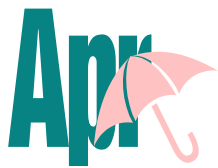
Tammie Snyder
209 Blum View Drive
Martinez, CA 94553

Questions?

Contact Tammie Snyder at (925) 957-0604
or at tammie@gte.net

\$20 Per Player • Entry Deadline: April 28th

CALENDER OF EVENTS



Apr 1	USTA Adult 18+ Season Opens
Apr 5-7	USTA Mixed 55+ Playoffs Round 1
Apr 12-14	USTA Mixed 55+ Playoffs Round 2
Apr 19-21	Adult 40+ Playoffs Round 1
Apr 22	USTA Adult 55+ Registration
Apr 22	USTA Mixed Doubles 18+ Registration
Apr 26-28	Adult 40+ Playoffs Round 2



May 3-5	USTA 40+ Districts
May 3	Calcutta Party
May 4	Calcutta Tournament
May 13	WCRC Winter Doubles Ends
May 17-19	WCRC Winter Doubles Tournament
May 17-19	USTA 40+ Sectionals
May 26	USTA Adult 65+ Season Closes
May 27	WCRC Summer Singles Opens



Jun 3-7	USTA Adult 65+ Playoffs Round 1
Jun 10-14	USTA Adult 65+ Playoffs Round 1
Jun 17	USTA Adult 55+ Season Opens
Jun 17	USTA Mixed Doubles 18+ Season Opens



Jul 1	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Registration
Jul 8	USTA Combo Doubles Registration
July 14	USTA Adult 18+ Season Closes

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of February 28, 2013



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January through February 2013

	Jan - Feb '13
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Advertising Income	300.00
League Dues	347.50
Membership Dues	4,184.36
Total Income	4,831.86
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	8.00
Board Meeting	20.43
Dues and Subscriptions	95.00
Gifts	75.95
Mixed Double Expenses	1,731.36
Office Supplies	11.91
Postage and Delivery	206.32
Printing and Reproduction	197.16
Tennis Balls	118.59
Tournament Food	1,002.26
Website	109.85
Total Expense	3,576.83
Net Ordinary Income	1,255.03
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	0.35
Total Other Income	0.35
Net Other Income	0.35
Net Income	1,255.38

Balance as of January 31, 2013 \$54,422.06

**Deadline for the May issue
is Wed, April 24th.**



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Winter Doubles League - Standings

Men's

3.5

W

L

Barnacascel / Sachwitz

3

0

4.0

Carbajal/Edwall

5

0

Noy/Hixon

5

0

4.5

Panda/Cedeno

3

0

Quintana/Riker

3

0

Women's

3.0

W

L

Mantovani/Leon

2

0

3.5

Korneeva/Vallabh

6

0

4.0

Christensen/Jeveli

6

1

4.5/5.0

Hennessey/Spindler

2

0