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WCRC President Sterling Fairholm cracks an ace at the 2013 Mixed Sectional Championships!

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Happy November WCRC!

Sterling Fairholm 2013 WCRC President

Congratulations to Gerry Brown's 7.0 Men's 55+ Team

who is heading to Sectionals this weekend.

We had a successful Summer Singles Tournament which spread over two weekends in October. We had some competitive tennis with over 120 players competiting in 8 different levels. Check out the results on page 9. Thanks to **Bob Walgren**, **Neal Dawson**, **Tammy Anderson**, **Cameron Coltharp**, and everyone else who helped make this tournament run smoothly year after year. Congratulations to our winners and finalists.

It's not too late to sign up for the WCRC FALL **MIXED LEAGUE**, you can sign up online or there is a registration form on page 11. The end of season tournament is scheduled for January 17-19, 2014 so get your required matches in to qualify to play the tournament.

USTA combo and 40+ mixed leagues are in the thick of the season and we have quite a few teams looking to head to playoffs. Good luck to everyone competiting.

See you on the courts!

Sterling



New Member Information Removed for Privacy



Tennis News



7.0 Mixed team comes up short one line for Nationals

Sterling Fairholm's 7.0 Mixed team on paper didn't look like they could make it to playoffs let alone districts! But they proved everyone wrong and not only won Districts but came up just one line short to taking their team all the way to National's. It was a combined effort of Tammie Snyder, Garvin Tom and Sterling Fairholm who put together top level players, lined up matches just right and had a sprinkle of luck at the right times.

The team finished the regular season at 8-2. After playing both Valley Vista and Diamond Hills in playoffs and squeaking two wins out they headed to Johnson Ranch in Roseville and the Districts Championships. On Friday they played La Cantera with all three teams (Kathy Lee, Kevin Kyono, Mariana Torres, Sterling Fairholm, Thuy Nguyen and Nadav Noy) winning in straight sets. Second match of the day was Marin Tennis Club who finished off the season in first place in all of Northern California with an 11-0 record. This team was going to be tough and we barely squeaked out a 2-1 win with 4 new players added to the mix (Karen Gee, Steve Buchholz, Garvin Tom and Margarita Tzoka-Jacobs). The third round of Districts was played the next day against Evergreen Valley College. This time Chris Dundon drove up Saturday morning just to play the match. Again we won 2-1!

On to Sectionals on Sunday at Laguna Creek in Elk Grove. With an early wake up call we piled in our cars and drove the 40 minutes from Roseville. With a blind draw we ended up playing the weaker of the three teams in our first round of Sectionals (Cuesta Tennis Club). Again we took the win at 2-1. On to the final round for Sectionals. (Two lines from Nationals!)

In the last match of the morning we met up against Daly City. They had a tough first round against Gold River and finished up their match only a half hour before the next one started against us. They regrouped and we came out firing. It was a very tough battle and Sterling and Mariana met up against a "3.5" ringer who was bombing serves past both Sterling and Mariana. It was a close match but Daly City squeaked out the win. Steve and Karen joined forces again and steadily won their line. Kathy and Nadav (who had never played together) met up against two steady players. They lost the first set, won the second set and it all came down to a ten point tie breaker. It was very close but a lucky shot here, and a tape roll there and we were out of the game.

It was an excellent battle with 11 different players playing in 5 different matches. This was truly a "team" in every sense of the word. We had some great supporters throughout the season and it took the entire team to get us this far! Jay Bains, Steve Buchholz, Chris Cast, Maria Chiang, Ariel Cordero, Chris Dundon, Sterling Fairholm, Karen Gee, Rebecca Huang, Bryce Knackstedt, Kevin Kyono, Kathy Lee, Thuy Nguyen, Nadav Noy, Wendy Reiser, Kristin Slown, Craig Smith, Justin Snyder, Garvin Tom, Mariana Torres and Margarita Tzoka-Jacobs.



Well done everyone!!!

l-r: Steve Buchholz, Thuy Nguyen, Nadav Noy, Mariana Torres, Kathy Lee, Justin Snyder, Tammie Snyder, Chris Dundon, Garvin Tom.

Not pictured: Sterling Fairholm, Kevin Kyono, Karen Gee and Margarita Tzoka-Jacobs







55+ Men's 7.0 team heading to Sectionals

Your WCRC fifty-five 7.0 Men's team will represent Diablo North in the Sectional Playoffs for the right to advance to the Nationals in Suprise, Arizona.

Team players are Joseph Alcantara, Boshra Athanasios, Gerry Brown (captain), Robert Candelario, Francis Chan, Rob Corder, Peter Dragovich, Andrew Hall, Hank Holmes, Bill Kidd, Fernando Lema, Bill McCormack, Richard Morgan, Joe Navejas, Doug Wisman, Kenneth Wong and Angelo Zanassi.

The playoffs are being held at two venues, Harbor Bay and Carmel on Friday through Sunday November 1-3! Good luck team! Email Tammie Snyder at tammie@gte.net to place articles, photos or advertising in the December issue of the Court Reporter!

Deadline for the December issue is Monday, November 25th.



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Congratulations to WCRC newlyweds Lisa Renee Italia (fomerly Poirier) and Brian Italia who happened to meet at a USTA combo captains meeting. They were married in Las Vegas on Friday, October 25th in front of close friends with the help of Elvis himself. Best wishes to the new couple. Hopefully they can survive mixed doubles together!!

We had two weddings in the past month for WCRC members.

Bryce Knackstedt and Rebecca Huang tied the knot in Maui on September 28th in front of friends and family. We wish them all the best in their new ventures together.





Universal Tennis Rating Tournament Hosted by Diablo Valley College Sunday, November 10th (9:00am to completion)

- **What:** One day—LEVEL BASED tournament—everyone can play!
- Where: DVC courts 321 Golf Club Rd Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
- Format: Compass Draw and Timed Event (8 game pro-set, 50 min rounds) (Format subject change)
- Cost: \$35 Singles and Doubles (\$25 Singles only) (You must sign up with a partner to play doubles)
- Must sign up online: <u>click here to register</u> by **11/3/2013** (Limited to 32 players) Contact Info: Cherryl Silva, silva@norcal.usta.com or (510)224-7304

What is Universal Tennis Rating? Universal Tennis features UTR 16 levels of tennis and provides tennis players world wide a common language to determine their level of play. The 16 levels of tennis are based on actual match results without regard for age or gender. <u>don't have a rating never played USTA or tennis before?</u> Please contact Cherryl Silva, silva@norcal.usta. com



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Summer Singles League Tournament



















Summer Singles Tournament Results



Sara Zharo def. Inna Taranchenko 6-1, 6-3



Elizabeth Brathwaite def. Katrina Lee 6-3, 3-6, 6-4



Heidi Belton def. Hilary Anderson 6-1 6-4



Kristen Riker def. Carollyn Vogler 6-4, 6-4



Ric Ronci def. Douglas Fish 3-6, 6-1, 6-3



Alan Rubino def. Goran Kalas 6-4, 6-4



Charan Sarjapur def. Majid Qureshi 6-1, 6-3



Martin Dunlap def. Jackson Riker 3-6, 7-6 (10) 6-4

WCRC Fall Mixed Poubles League Registration Form (Also on-line at www.wcrc.net)



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League Information: Players may enter the WCRC Mixed Doubles League in more than one division (i.e, 6.0 and 7.0), 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 **NOT** enter the Tournament at more than one level. **No exceptions!**

WCRC Fall Mixed Poubles League Registration Form (Also on-line at www.wcrc.net)

We will continue to offer on-line scoring and real-time updated standings for all four (4) divisions. Don't forget that the league registration fee includes unlimited regular season doubles matches, a league gift and may include an end of the season tournament dependent upon weather and court scheduling.

LEAGUE COMMISSIONER	Pam Maloney: 925-787-3970	
DATES	September 9, 2013 - January 10, 2014	
ENTRY FEES	WCRC Members On-Line Registration: \$17.50 (\$35 per team) Mail In Registration: \$22.50 (\$45 per team)	
	Non WCRC Members On-Line Registration: \$27.50 (\$55 per team) Mail In Registration: \$32.50 (\$65 per team)	
FORMAT	Mixed Doubles, 16-week regular season (players grouped by combined NTRP level; ie. 7.0 can be a 4.0 man and a 3.0 woman or two 3.5 players)	
NTRP LEVELS	Mixed 6.0-9.0	
SCHEDULING	This is an open schedule. Players are responsible for scheduling their own matches. Players will be provided with a contact list of participants within their division.	
MATCH FORMAT	Best two-out-of-three set format, 12-point tiebreaker (regular scoring). No SUPERTIEBREAKERS! Both teams responsible for bringing balls to match; winning team gets unopened can. Matches should be played according to the "Rules of Tennis.".	
TOURNAMENT	End of season tournament with draw determined by league standings to be held over the weekend of Jan 17–19, 2014 dependent upon court scheduling and weather. To qualify for the tournament, teams must have completed and reported at least 4 matches during the regular league season. Depending on the number of entrants	
	tournament play may include Friday night play. In addition, draws with large numbers of players may be required to play matches prior to the tournament weekend. Seeding for the tournament will be based on regular season standings. The more matches you and your partner play, the higher your ranking will be.	

What's Happening at the Courts?

Holiday Camps: The Walnut Creek Tennis Center will be offering Youth Camps during the Thanksgiving holiday week. Look for the Christmas/New Year camp schedule in next month's Court Reporter. This year we will be offering youth camps as well as adult camps.

Little Tennis (Ages 4-6) 6:1 ratio

Days	Time	3 Classes_	Cost
Mon, Tue, Wed	9:00am-11:00am	Nov 25, 26, 27	\$84R/\$93NR

Improvement & Junior Team Camps (7-18) 8:1 ratio

Days	Time	3 Classes	Cost
Mon, Tue, Wed	9:00am-12:00am	Nov 25, 26, 27	\$99R/\$108NR

Winter Classes: The Walnut Creek Tennis Center will be offering a variety of classes throughout the winter. These classes will run for 12 weeks from January 5th to March 29th. Registration for the Winter Classes will begin the first week in December and can be made on-line at lifetimetennis.com or in the office at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center.



Monthly Pass Holder's Special:

All Court Usage Pass Holders are welcome to enjoy a hot cup of coffee, cocoa or tea throughout the month of November. Stay tuned to hear about what our December Special will be!

Want to Play with the Pro? Joe Noth will be running our Friday Night Round Robin from 8:00-10:00pm. Sign up in the office at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center. \$4.00 Pass Holders, \$8.00 Non-Pass Holders. This event does sell out quickly, so make sure to reserve your spot soon!





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Dec 1	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Season Closes
Dec 6-8	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Playoffs Round 1
Dec 8	USTA NorCal 70+ Season Closes
Dec 13-15	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Playoffs Round 2
Dec 15	USTA Combo Doubles Season Closes



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Jan 6	USTA 40+ Adult Season Opens
Jan 6	USTA 55+ Adult Season Opens
Jan 12	WCRC Mixed Doubles Season Closes
Jan 13	USTA 65+ Adult Team Registration Opens
Jan 17-19	USTA Combo Doubles Playoffs Round 1
Jan 24-26	USTA Combo Doubles Playoffs Round 1
Jan 24-26	USTA Mixed Doubles 40+ Sectionals

TREASURER'S REPORT Tammie Snyder



as of September 30, 2013

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

	Jan - Sep '13
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Advertising Income	450.00
League Dues	7,683.65
Membership Dues	11,177.83
Tournament Dues	3,835.12
Total Income	23,146.60
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	20.00
Beverage Cooler	195.29
Board Meeting	448.61
Calcutta Expenses	6,925.26
Captains Meetings	103.00
Contributions	1,500.00
Dues and Subscriptions	135.00
Fall Mixed Tournment Expenses	2,337.51
Filling Fees	35.00
Gifts	75.95
Locks	32.23
Member Services	976.00
Mid Summer Expenses-Food	508.82
Miscellaneous	180.00
Office Supplies Porta-Potty	11.91
Postage and Delivery	156.57 733.97
Printing and Reproduction	5,655.32
Professional Fees	925.00
Tennis Balls	118.59
Tournament Food	1,002.26
Website	529.55
Winter Doubles Expenses	4,662.38
Total Expense	27,268.22
Net Ordinary Income	-4,121.62
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income Interest Income	7.66
Total Other Income	7.66
Net Other Income	7.66
Net Income	-4,113.96

Balance as of September 30, 2013

\$48,287.72



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Mixed Doubles League - Standings

6 Julia Petrov/Ed Wassmuth	6	L 1
7.0 Donna Murphy/Dan Bazan	6	1
Sharleen Houston/Garvin Tom	3	0
Cherie Charbonneau/Bill Marsh	3	0
Debra Goettsch/Nadav Noy	3	0
9.0		
Lynne Tomczak/Rick Overstreet	1	0
Kimi Watada/Nadav Noy	1	0