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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Craig Lazarchik
2014 WCRC President

Insanapolooza!!!!!!

In between Adult League, 40+ Districts and Sectionals, the WCRC Winter Doubles Tournament, Art and Wine Festival, the school year ending/graduations, watching some French Open, and juggling matches due to resurfacing of Rudgear (and Larkey), you should have plenty of time for, well...nothing! Oh, never to

early to start recruiting for Mixed!!! And just in case you did have a spare minute, we'll fill it with WCRC Summer Singles!

Calcutta was another hugely successful event. Check out all the photos and results on pages 4-11!

Certainly a lot happening at The Farm and for all of you I'm sure. Rudgear and Larkey are in the process of getting resurfaced and should be completed in the very near future. Should be a great summer at these locations! A special thank you to Sterling, all the Captains, and players who worked through a difficult reschedule process in regards to Rudgear while it was getting resurfaced. Not ideal, but you all pulled through and made it happen, thank you!

WARNING FOR ALL WCRC WINTER DOUBLES PARTICIPANTS; THE WALNUT CREEK ART AND WINE FESTIVAL IS THIS WEEKEND AS IS OUR TOURNAMENT.

Give yourself 30 minutes extra time for finding parking and walking and getting settled. Not ideal, we realize. However, once on site the atmosphere will be fantastic!

Thank you in advance for all of you planning and patience!

For those of you at Sectionals, we know you'll play great and bring home that banner! Good luck! We'd like to congratulate the following teams....

40+ mixed team:

9.0 Mixed - Debra Goettsch

40+ adult teams:

3.0 Women - Lisa Italia

3.0 Men - Mark Nolsch

4.0 Men - Kevin Kyono

All the best and see you on the courts!!

Craig



Welcome to Our 18 New Members Current Membership: 1041

Anne Bentley	Walnut Creek	4.0	Tyler Lincoln	Orinda	3.5
Luke Boswell	Alamo	4.0	Eric Peterson	Lafayette	4.5
Mary Ellen Boswell	Alamo	3.5	Ivan C Popov	El Sobrante	3.0
Howard Charlop	Walnut Creek	3.0	Naj Sharif	Walnut Creek	3.0
John Chew	San Ramon	4.0	Ryan Shopp	Walnut creek	
Donald Coulter	San Leandro	3.0	Austin Steele	Concord	3.0
Rajat Jain	Walnut Creek	4.0	Jeff Stone	Clayton	3.5
Sally Johnston O'Neal	Lafayette	3.5	Michael Xie	Moraga	3.5
Chris Lee	Concord	4.0	Nikki Zar	Walnut Creek	



Membership questions contact: **Kranthi "KK" Tappita** at 510-209-1369 or email at: nani7676@yahoo.com







What's Happening at the Courts?

Registration for Tennis Classes: The Walnut Creek Tennis Center is currently accepting registration for Summer Classes. We will be offering two 6 week summer sessions of group classes. One for the first 6 weeks of summer, and the other for the last 6 weeks of summer. We are also currently accepting registration for Youth Summer Camps. These classes and camps will fill up quickly, so be sure to reserve your spot(s). You can register and/or view class/camp options online at lifetimetennis.com, or in the office at Heather Farm Park at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center. Please call us if you have any questions at 925-945-0105.

Monthly Pass Holder's Special: During the month of June, Lifetime Tennis would like to welcome all current Court Usage Pass Holder's to participate in our FREE Wimbledon Celebration on Friday, June 29th from 7:30pm-10pm. Be sure to wear your Wimbledon whites while enjoying Wimbledon's tradition of strawberries & cream. Also, bring your wooden racket for a wooden racket tiebreaker challenge. Sign up in the office at Heather Farm Park to reserve your spot. Enjoy!

Want to Play with the Pro?: Every Tuesday morning from 9:00-11:00am, the Walnut Creek Tennis Center will be offering a Drop-In Round Robin. As always, we will be also offering a Friday Night Round Robin from 8:00-10:00pm. Space is limited, so be sure to sign up in advance to hold your spot.

(\$5.00 Pass Holders, \$10.00 Non-Pass Holders) See you on the courts!

Enjoy! Lifetime Tennis

Calculta

Thanks to EVERYONE who helped make this tournament run smoothly! Bob Walgren, Tammy Chan, Pam Maloney, Mike Sherman, Janet Neilsen, Lindsey Snyder, Justin Snyder, Sterling Fariholm, Garvin Tom, Beth White and all the Lafayette United Methodist Church volunteers.

Friday night had over 100 people in attendance and the auctions were frantic. Saturday everyone arrived on time and kept our matches on schedule throughout the day. We saw some excellent tennis with some really close matches!













Calculta



CalcultaTeam - Owners

Team Panda (below) owned the winning team of the main draw of Sanjay Backliwal and Nancy Chan. For their investment of \$140 they made out with \$1,155!







Sanjay and Nancy split \$315 Anne and Sterling split \$245

Sterling Fariholm and Anne Harpham-Carley's owner Team Alan Chan (above) raked in \$700 for their \$210 bid.



Lloyd and Araceli split \$210



Reid and Violeta split \$105

In the Consolation Round, Team KK (above) made \$525 on their investment of \$80 on the winning team of Lloyd Hohenstein and Araceli Ramirez-Ashe.

Team Maloney (right) who owned the finalist team of Reid Cooper and Violeta Franco recived \$245 for their \$105 investment.



If you couldn't stay for the results...



Main Draw

Sanjay Backliwal and Nancy Chan edged out Sterling Fairholm and Anne Harpham-Carley. (31-29)

Consolation

Lloyd Hohenstein and Araceli Ramiriz-Ashe also had a close match defeating Reid Cooper and Violeta Franco. (31-24)





AWARD-WINNING TENNIS BENEFIT FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

Saturday, June 20, 2015 at Orindawoods Tennis Club

AM Clinics with Local Tennis Pros

PM Tournament of Champions

Gourmet Lunch & Raffle (registration includes raffle ticket)

New this year - Silent Auction - bid for weekend getaway, wine basket, sporting events! (Cash or Credit Card accepted)

Post-Tournament celebration (Acelt! ale, wine, soft drinks and snacks) along with a special raffle prize (must be present to win!)

Ace It! benefits Alta Bates Summit Foundation

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For more information please visit:

www.orindawoodstennis.com

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Walnut Creek 40AW4.0 goes to Districts in Folsom

The team was very excited and nervous to have the opportunity to play at Districts in Folsom May 15-17.

On an overcast Friday morning, our first match was against Brookside from Saratoga. Our gals were trying to get and stay warm but while the Brookside team had the same rating as us, clearly their scale was different. One by one, it was a slow sweep as each of our gals walked off the court without a 'W'. Our gals played well, Brookside played flawlessly. When we learned that the Chico team was also swept but we had won more games, we had to celebrate!

Day 2 brought bright sunshine but some nerves for a couple of players against California Tennis Club from San Francisco. Our singles players just didn't have our mojo that day so it was up to doubles. All three doubles lines had gone to a Super Tie Breaker and with their teammates in rally mode, only 2 of our lines won.



We fell short by 2 points. Such a tough loss. We were definitely out of the running now but we continue to celebrate; we'd still made it there and we were having fun.



At the beginning Day 3, we knew that Chico was forfeiting a singles line. Later in the morning, we were informed that they were forfeiting the other singles line. It was early enough for the Captain & co-Captain to give our players options on whether or not to make the drive to Folsom as we had enough players on site to fill the remaining lines. All we had to do was win 1 of the 3 lines and we did. Now, time for a real celebration because we had won! More celebrating, giggles and craziness all the way back to Walnut Creek.

So, we didn't come in last but 3rd. Winning it all would have been so very cool, but there will be a next time. We were the only team ready with a full roster each day and the only team with coordinated outfits. A few of the other teams seemed to envy us because, even though we may

not have won that game or that match, they could see that we all got along, truly enjoyed each other's company and knew how to have fun.

It was a fantastic ride and we're out of E tickets for. I want to thank Elinor, Jodie, LeeAnn, Donna, Akiko, Sally, Thuy, Karen N., Katie, Nancy O., Karen P., Vanessa and Nancy W. for your time, dedication, and in some cases, leaving your families and loved ones to fend for themselves! Last, but certainly not least, a huge thank you to our Captain, Laurie for leading us to the post season and for keeping us in line. We are truly grateful and had so much fun. We'll get you back to playoffs again, soon, we promise.

Photo top right: Front: Laurie Lenhart (captain), Akiko Kearney; Back: Jodie

Dowling, Donna Himenez, Karen Pearson, Nancy O'Neil, Karen Nishikawa, LeeAnn Gove, Nancy Wilson, Vanessa Sturla, Deanna Fong (co-captain)

Photo above: Front: Karen Nishikawa, Akiko Kearney, Deanna Fong; Back: Jodie Dowling, Nancy Wilson, LeeAnn Gove, Nancy O'Neil, Donna Himenez, Katie Olla, Vanessa Sturla, Sally McKay, Karen Pearson; Not pictured: Elinor Axup, Laurie Lenhart and Thuy Nguyen Photo bottom right: Jodie Dowling, Vanessa Sturla, Nancy O'Neil, Deanna Fong and Karen Nishikawa





WCRC 4.0 40+ Shogun Warriors Sectionals Bound

A very wise WCRC Captain told us, "Post season matches are won and lost with tiebreaks." Boy was she right! Out of our 15 matches in Districts, we played a total of twelve tiebreaks and eight of them were third set super tiebreaks! Thank you Tammie for making us practice tiebreaks over and over and over.

We travelled to Laguna Creek Racquet Club in Elk Grove for District Championships. On Friday, the Warriors got off to a strong start with a win against Redwood Shores. It wasn't easy as there were a lot of tight games and sets but we squeaked out the win, 3-2. Friday night was spent unwinding and celebrating our first win at Mikuni in Downtown Sacramento. We all had an awesome time with great food, great drinks and amazing company!

On Day 2, we faced Silver Creek CC (San Jose). We had thought Redwood Shores was going to be our toughest team because they had the deepest



Back row left to right: Erik Lee, Justin Snyder, Sean Barnacascel, Kevin Kyono (captain) Steve Buchholz and Bret Jones Front row left to right: Ernie Schulze, Jay Dunlavy, Craig Smith, Lloyd Hohenstein (co-captain) and Ran Sendrovitz

roster. It turned out that even though Silver Creek only had an eight man roster, they were the team to beat. Silver Creek won on the first day even though they had to default a line. They defaulted a line against us too and we barely squeaked out another win, 3-2. It turned out one of their players injured his back with 3 slipped discs; a lucky break for us. We celebrated Saturday's win with an awesome BBQ prepared by Cara Mia Barnacascel, Sean Barnacascel, Ernie Schulze, Erik Lee and Jay Dunlavy!

On Day 3, we went up against Clovis TC. Since we barely won on the first two days, anything less than an overall win on Day 3 meant we were going to go home as losers. Luckily for us, we convincingly rolled over Clovis 4-1. It wasn't easy and at times, it wasn't pretty but we did it!

We now advance to Sectional Championships on the last weekend in May at Laguna Creek RC again. Since we just played there, it'll be like we have home court advantage! Thanks for the amazing support of our teammates, family and friends who helped us succeed at Districts! We hope you offer us the same support at Sectionals!

The Shogun Warriors consist of: **Shogun:** Kevin Kyono / **Co-Shogun:** Lloyd Hohenstein

Samurai Warriors: Sean Barnacascel, Steve Buchholz, Alan Chan, Chris Dundon, Jay Dunlavy, Bret Jones, Erik Lee, Steve



Sachwitz, Ernie Schulze, Ran Sendrovitz, Tom Serame, Craig Smith, Justin Snyder, Shuangxi Xu.

Chief Consultant: Tammie Snyder **Honorary Member:** Jamie Guzzaldo

Left to right: Cara Mia Barnacascel, Lloyd Hohenstein (co-captain), Jay Dunlavy, Ran Sendrovitz, Erik Lee, Sean Barnacascel, Justin Snyder, Tammie Snyder, Kevin Kyono (captain) Terri Hernandez, Bret Jone, Steve Buchholz, Richelle Buchholz and Ernie Schulze



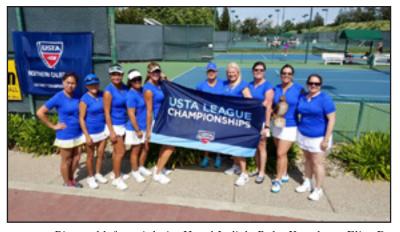


40+ 3.0 Lady Hawkes Soar into Sectionals After a nice run through Diablo North the Hawk-Eyes looked

After a nice run through Diablo North the Hawk-Eyes looked forward to the challenge of Districts at Laguna Creek Raquet Club. It was understood that things were going to get tougher and true to form, it sure did. The weather was comfortable and the tennis was hot as these Hawks battled through three tough matches and into Sectionals.

It started on Friday against Bay Club Courtside and the Hawks came out to play, sweeping the singles led by #1 Deb Gaisser pulling out a tough super tie and #2 singles, Julie Bishop who was on top of her game easily defeating her outmatched opponent in straights. Doubles were a battle and going at #1 was Cindy Bazan and Rhonda Miller in a match that was tight the whole way. Our Hawks fought through to take the super tie. At #2 Cheryl Walsh and Sally Van Oosbree were in a dogfight as well. Getting off to a rough start in the first set and then down in the second set, they rallied to get it to the super tie and came up just short. At #3 doubles Chardi Kollmann and Cynthia Granicher took it to their opponents and easily took it in straights. 4-1 Hawks. A promising start.

Saturday was a cool 8am (ugh) match and our Hawks were ready to play Napa Valley TC, despite good food, drinks, and company the night before. At #1 Singles we once again had Deb and



Pictured left to right is: Hazel Indick, Ruby Kangleon, Elise De Guzman, Cynthia Granicher, Andrea Klembith, Cindy Bazan, Janet Nielsen, Deborah Gaisser, Lisa Italia (Captain), Lynn Vuckovic. Not pictured: Julie Bishop, Chardi Kollmann, Rhonda Miller, Sally Van Oosbree, Cheryl Walsh and Kristine Kennedy

this match had definite sways in momentum. Another tough super and this time we came up just short. Playing #2 singles was Elise DeGuzman and things looked rough as her opponent grabbed early control cruising through the first set. Elise buckled down and refused to lose as the second set was back and forth. Finally Elise broke through and got the match back to even. Then riding that momentum into the super she wore down her opponent and took the match which was ended up being the decider! At #1 doubles Cindy and Andrea Klembith came out on fire and blew away their opponents in an easy two! At #2 doubles Ruby Kangleon and Hazel Indick went up a against a very tough foe. The Hawks took the first and then the momentum turned and again we ended up in a super. Unfortunately, it did not go our way. High quality stuff though. Finally at #3 captain Lisa Italia and Sally started a little slow but quickly figured out their opponents and cruised to a solid straight set win. Whew! 3-2 Hawks. One more to go.

The match on Sunday against Marinwood Community Center (Sugarpova's) was for it all. Both teams had won on both days and the tennis was intense! Big props to our #1 Deb going three straight days all in singles. She came up against a player that had been unbeaten all season and and battled her all the way. The tennis was as good as I had seen all weekend from both sides. Came up just short but what a match! At #2 Elise rode the effort from the previous day to take her match in solid straights. In doubles at #1 Ruby and Lynne Vuskovic played a very good doubles team and things were looking good as we rolled in the first, however, their opponents regrouped took the second and the super in a very close match. Great tennis. #2 were Cynthia and Janet Nielsen and they were on fire! It was over before I could watch a lot of it in a quick two. Great effort! Finally at #3 were Cindy and Andrea. Things had looked good as we took the first set in four of the five matches, but here we were at 2-2. It is never over until it is over. The girls came out solid as they rolled in the first. As always in playoffs thing seem to tighten up and our girls lost their edge a bit and went down in the second. It came down to the super for Sectionals. Our girls bucked up and played a very solid super, regaining control and getting the final win to put us through! Great job!

These hardened battle tested Hawks are looking forward to the challenge of Sectionals! Better watch out, they are coming for you!



Left to right: Julie Bishop, Rhonda Miller, Cheryl walsh, Cindy Bazan, Chardi Kollmann, Lisa Italia, sally van Osbree, Cynthia Granchier and Deb Gaisser day one of districts.





40+ 3.0 Men Reach Sectional Championships



Front row, left to right: Paul Barrett, Jason Mitchell, Joe Ibrahim Back row, left to right: Ahmed Nisar, Jojo De Lusong (Co-Captain),

Mark Nollsch (Captain), Dave Loetz, Tim Burwell Not pictured: James Deak, Zak Islam, Eric Wall

In our second year leading a WCRC 40+ 3.0 team, we set ourselves a goal in 2015 to assemble a team that was capable of reaching the post-season. Team captain Mark Nollsch and co-captain Jojo De Lusong started with last year's core of James Deak and Ahmed Nisar and added WCRC regulars Tim Burwell, Joe Ibrahim, Jason Mitchell and Eric Wall to the squad. We then recruited Zak Islam and Alan Roth from Club Sport Valley Vista and Paul Barrett from last year's Lafayette 40+ 3.0 Nationals team. Finally we added Dave Loetz from Diablo CC and newcomer Clive Goodwin late in the season to beef up the team for postseason play.

After cruising through the Local League season with an 8-2 record and securing home court for the local playoffs, we beat the Diamond Hills "A" team 2-1 in the first round and narrowly defeated the Diamond Hills "B" team 2-1 in the second round to advance to the District Championships in Roseville.

Drawing a Friday morning 8:00AM slot in Districts, we crushed the Morgan Hill team 4-1, with Tim and Paul delivering decisive singles wins, and James/Mark and Dave/Jason delivering the goods in doubles. Blazing sun greeted us for our Saturday afternoon match against Pleasanton, where we prevailed 3-2, with Tim and Paul again leading the way in singles and Dave/Jason providing a key doubles win. That left us going into Sunday needing only one individual match win to clinch a Sectionals berth.

And that is exactly what we got, as Dave/Jason pulled off their third win of the weekend over Golden Gateway SF to earn us a wildcard spot to the Sectional Championships in Gold River. The team is very pleased to have done so well this season, and the captains are very proud that our squad has fought hard in every match. We are honored to represent WCRC in Sectionals and hope to continue our post-season success in Sacramento, May 29-31. GO CREEK!





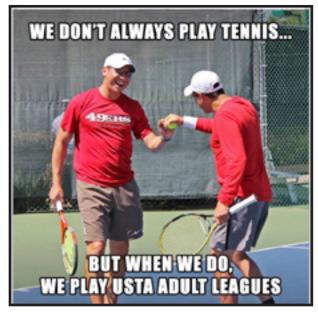
3.0 women players needed for 6.0 mixed team

Jan Lipnicke is putting together a 6.0 mixed team and is in need of 3.0

ladies.

If you are a 3.0 woman and are looking for a mixed team please contact Jan directly at

jan_lipnicke@comcast.net or at 510-220-8073.



Sean Barnacascel and Erik Lee made it on the USTA Norcal Website



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CALENDER OF EVENTS



June 1-5	USTA 65+ Playoffs Round 1
June 5-7	USTA Mixed 40+ Sectionals
June 8-12	USTA 65+ Playoffs Round 2
Jun 21	USTA 18+ Season Closes
Jun 22	USTA Mixed 18+ Season Opens
Jun 22	USTA 55+ Season Opens
Jun 26-28	USTA 18+ Playoffs Round 1



Jul 10-12	USTA 18+ Playoffs Round 2
Jul 20	USTA Combo Team Registration Opens
Jul 20	USTA Mixed 55+ Team Registration Opens
Jul 27	USTA 70+ Daytime Team Registration Opens

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Aug 17	USTA Combo Team Registration Closes
Aug 17	USTA Mixed 55+ Team Registration Closes
Aug 17	USTA 70+ Daytime Team Registration Closes

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder as of April 30, 2015



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January through April 2015

	Jan - Apr '15
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income League Dues	2,720.00
Membership Dues	4,315.00
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Total Income	7,035.00
Expense	
League Expenses	3,076.82
Office Supplies	10.44
Professional Fees	300.00
Porta-Potty	90.88
Website	319.70
Postage and Delivery	186.56
Rental Deposit	1,015.00
Printing and Reproduct	364.60
Sectionals Fees	270.00
Post Office Box	100.00
Board Meeting	809.73
Captains Meetings	177.05
Tax Preparation	350.00
Bank Service Charges	265.19
Court Usage Fees	40.00
Gifts	71.99
District Fees	150.00
Total Expense	7,597.96
Net Ordinary Income	-562.96
Other Income/Expense Other Income	
Interest Income	3.75
Total Other Income	3.75
Net Other Income	3.75
Net Income	-559.21
Balance as of April 30, 2015	\$16,915.76



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