

THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

November, 2015



NATIONALS



Walnut Creek Racquet Club

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Craig Lazarchik
2015 WCRC President

Autumn Winds of Change

Happy Harvest to all and hope your baskets are filled with new tennis balls and some warm winter gear. Time and weather changes are upon us so get ready for some night

time tennis and some cooler weather!

There are also changes at our Walnut Creek Tennis Center per Lifetime Tennis. Please review the e-mail the WCRC sent out in October regarding these changes, and if you have any questions please contact Lifetime Tennis directly. Your contact is **Deanna Laschells at 925-945-0105**.

In regards to USTA and WCRC Tennis, we would like to congratulate **Lisa Italia's** 18+ and 40+ 3.0 Women's teams as well as **Ernie Schulze's** 55+ 8.0 Men's team on a great Nationals run.

We are in the heart of combo season, so Captains please do everything to get your matches in while it is dry. We are seeing quite a bit of back loaded matches toward the end of the year. So please do the best you can to get matches in now. Let's try to have zero tennis stress in December! And remember to sign up and get some matches in for WCRC MXD Doubles! It is going to be a great league and fantastic tournament **February 19-21, 2016!**

All the best and look forward to seeing you on the courts!

Craig

Danielle de la Cruz	Clayton	2.0	Barbara Leivent	Walnut Creek	3.5
Shelley Doppe	Concord	3.0	Lisa Lin	Walnut Creek	3.5
Suzanne Garrett	Walnut Creek	3.5	Brian McCormick	Houston	4.0
Thea Horii	Walnut Creek	4.5	Bonnie Merrill	Walnut Creek	4.0
Julia Huberty	Walnut Creek	3.0	Jothi Murali	Walnut Creek	4.0
Jennifer Jung	Oakland	4.0	Dilip Parekh	Walnut Creek	3.5
Scott Justus	Walnut Creek	3.5	William Prentiss	Orinda	4.0
Mark Keeling	Walnut Creek	3.5	William Ross	Orinda	3.5
Greg Keselman	Pleasant Hill		Chris Seta	Concord	3.5



Membership questions contact:
Kranthi "KK" Tappita at 510-209-1369
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Lifetime Tennis

What's Happening at the Courts?

Fall Tennis Classes: The 2nd Session of Fall Adult and Youth tennis classes will begin the week of November 2nd. We still have spots remaining in a lot of our classes, so please inquire with our office staff about signing up. Remember, if there's still room in a class, we can always get you in and prorate you for the classes that you've missed. Any questions, please call our office at 925-945-0105.

Winter Tennis Classes: Registration for the Winter Classes will begin on December 1, 2015. These classes will begin the week of January 4th. You can preview the schedule online at lifetimetennis.com or come by the office to pick up a flyer with the entire schedule listed. You can register online at lifetimetennis.com, or in the office at Heather Farm Park at the Walnut Creek Tennis Center. Any questions, please call our office at 925-945-0105.

Monthly Pass Holder's Specials: During the month of November all Court Usage Pass Holders will receive a FREE Round Robin of their choosing when purchasing a \$50 gift certificate. Enjoy!

November Racket Tune-up Special

Get your racket strung (our string & labor) and receive 50% off a replacement grip.

Get 2 rackets strung during the same transaction (our string & labor) receive a FREE replacement grip. Promotion exclusive to only Wilson products.

Want to Play with the Pro?: Our Pros, Joe Noth and Duncan Leiggi will be hosting two Round Robins every Tuesday morning and Friday evening. Tuesday morning's Round Robin will run from 9:00-11:00am, and Friday night's Round Robin will run 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

18+ & 40+ 3.0 Women's Team NATIONALS

All I can say is that it has been a dream year! It has been an incredible experience captaining these Hawks. I am writing this about the 18+ and 40+ teams as they are intertwined closely. First, congratulations to all the ladies. They are what makes the Hawks a family. Each and every one of them contributed to our success and I am so proud to have captained this group of fighters!

It is clear that we were the best 3.0 team in Northern California and maybe the best 3.0 team since the inception of 40+ at least. Making it to Nationals is amazing, making it twice is unheard of. We were the only 3.0 team in the country to make it to Nationals in both.



It started with 18+ Hawks in Tucson. Our girls battled hard and with a three way tie at the top of our flight at 2-1, however, we missed out by just one line from moving to the semi-finals with a team that we beat in our flight. Ouch! It was a great effort by the girls, and we played all 17 players that made the trip at least once. Great fun and memories were had by all!

The 40+ Hawks with many of the same ladies, rushed out to a 3-0 start, and while dropping the last match 3-2, and unlike the 18+ Hawks, we were positioned to move on to the semis despite the loss. In the semis we were up against the wall, facing a set down and match points down in the deciding match. Our girls fought off elimination, came all the way back and took it in a heart wrenching super tiebreak. We now advance to the finals and the Hawks again battled with everything they had but ran into an excellent Kentucky team, losing 3-2 and ending up as the National runner-up. So many great moments and all



18+ & 40+ 3.0 Women's Team NATIONALS

14 Hawks that traveled played at least two matches. It was a great experience for all of our Hawks.

What's amazing is the improvement everyone made throughout the year. The players that started the season were not the same group that finished the year. We worked hard, got lucky (luck usually happens to the best!) and never gave up.



for his support, coaching, and inspiration, and to John Soto for all coaching and support throughout the season and playoffs, as well as Joe Noth! We could not have done it without you!

HAWKS RULE!

Many thanks to our families, WCRC, Lifetime Tennis, and all of the WCRC players for their support. We felt it all the way in Tucson! We set records for biggest groups with all the family and friends that came out to support having 29 and 27 people in our group. I would specially like to thank Brian Italia the co-captain,



18+ & 40+ 3.0 Women's Team

NATIONALS



18+ National's Team:

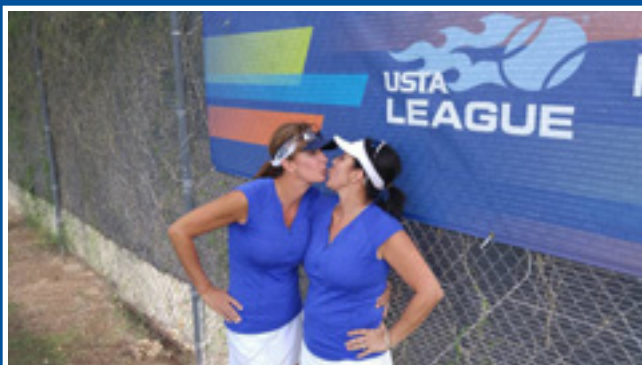
Cindy Bazan • Elise De Guzman
Deborah Gaisser • Cynthia Granicher
Hazel Indick • Lisa Italia
Ruby Jane Kangleon • Kristine Kennedy
Andrea Klembith • Krisztina Kohlhaas
• Chardi Kolimann • Nicole Leong
Balvinder Mears • Rachael Miller
Rhonda Miller • Janet Nielsen
Cori Puma • Fan To • Sally Van Oosbree
Cheryl Walsh • Jessica Zhang

18+ & 40+ 3.0 Women's Team **NATIONALS**



40+ National's Team:

Cindy Bazan • Julie Bishop • Elise De Guzman • Deborah Gaisser • Cynthia Granicher Hazel Indick • Lisa Italia • Ruby Jane Kangleon • Kristine Kennedy
Andrea Klembith Chardi Kolimann • Rhonda Miller • Janet Nielsen
Sally Van Oosbree • Lynne Vuskovic • Cheryl Walsh



55+ 8.0 Men's Team

NATIONAL'S

The mens 8.0 55+ team just returned from the 2015 USTA national tournament in Surprise Arizona. We won one match and lost the other two preventing us from going to the semi finals. But, that is only part of the story. Turns out we had match points in both of the other matches as well. In fact, Lloyd Hohenstein and Bret Jones had match point on the eventual top team in the tournament from Tampa Florida! Way to go guys, you almost beat them.

In addition, Jerry Garcia and Bob Stickrod had 6 match points in their lineup against the other finalist team from Florida and were unable to convert. The final score of their marathon match was 19-17 in the third set ten point tiebreaker!! Hard to believe they couldn't convert...

Karl Brown and I also had match point in our match against our opponents and didn't convert.. BUMMER

In spite of this, our team has progressed solidly over the three years we have been



Left to Right: Bob Stickrod, Ken McCormick, Karl Brown, Lloyd Hohenstein, Bret Jones, Captain Ernie Schulze, Dan Slaven, Jerry Garcia, Dr. Jeff Maier

55+ 8.0 Men's Team NATIONAL'S

together. The first year we made it to playoffs only to lose to our arch nemesis, Pinole. The second year we made it to playoffs and beat Pinole and went to sectionals. This past season we lost to Pinole during the regular season but beat them in playoffs. Then we went to Sectionals in Sacramento and won those! Five matches in a row, giving us a 2015 15-2 record for the season. Then of course as I mentioned, we went to Nationals in Surprise Arizona this past weekend where we had match points against the eventual second place team in the country.

Thank you to all my wonderful teammates who helped me to be a better player and USTA Captain. Thank you to all of the folks at WCRC who sent good wishes and support. And thank you to Lifetime tennis who graciously donated Joe North's time to help us prepare for the National tournament. Practice those ten point tiebreaks!!!!

Captain Ernie Schulze



55+ 8.0 Men's National's Team:

Tim Baldocchi • Karl Brown • Jerry Garcia • Robert Gee
Dennis Goins • Lloyd Hohenstein • Bret Jones • Jeffrey Maier
Ken McCormick • Joel Schaffer • Ernie Schulze • Tom Serame
Dan Slaven • Bob Stickrod • Alan Yeadaker

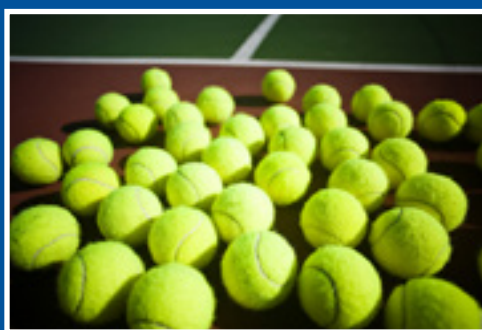
6.0 Mixed Team DISTRICT'S



Mixed 6.0 Team Picture from Sectionals

Standing: Dmitry Golovin, Amanda Macksoud, Derryl Acosta,
Matt Hedges, Shelley Bain, Akanksha Singh

Sitting: Sue Nallapeta, Dil Chitaure, Nicole Leong, Matt Starke



6.0 Mixed Sectional's Team:

Derryl Acosta • Shelley Bain • Dil Chitaure • George Giokas
Dmitry Golovin • Cynthia Granicher • Matthew Hedges
Betsy Kemp • Nicole Leong • Amanda Macksoud
Amaresh Manthena • Sushma Nallapeta • Akanksha Singh
Matt Starke • Meena Venkat • Minh Vu

TRI-LEVEL



National's Bound



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

MALE PLAYER

FEMALE PLAYER

Name	_____	_____
Mailing Address	_____	_____
City	_____	_____
ZIP Code	_____	_____
Home Phone	_____	_____
Work or Cell Phone	_____	_____
E-mail address	_____	_____
NTRP level	_____	_____

WCRC Member? ☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ YES ☐ NO

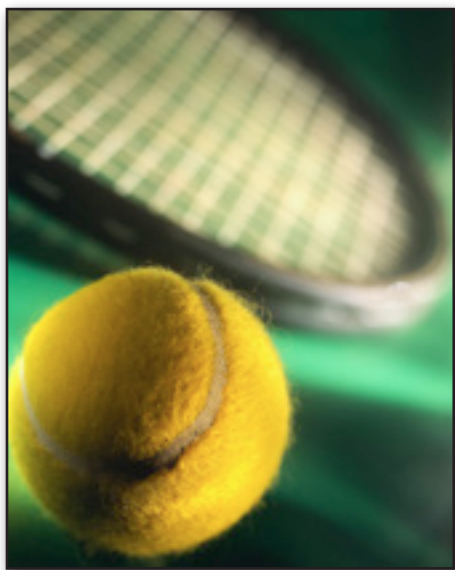
Division for which you are registering (please check one):

☐ Mixed 6.0

☐ Mixed 7.0

☐ Mixed 8.0

☐ Mixed 9.0

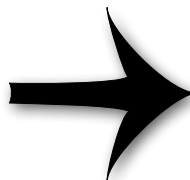


On-Line Registration will remain open until **January 17, 2016**.
If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **January 10, 2016** with a check for registration fees (payable to WCRC) to:
WCRC, 970 Janet Lane, Lafayette, CA 94549.

Questions?

Call Pam Maloney at 925-787-3970
or via e-mail pam4tenis@gmail.com

Find detailed Information on next page...



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. **The only exception will be made when the draw for a particular division is small enough to accomodate!**

WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles 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 1, 2015 - February 2, 2016

ENTRY FEES

WCRC Members	
On-Line Registration:	(\$40 per team)
Mail In Registration:	(\$50 per team)
Non WCRC Members	
On-Line Registration:	(\$60 per team)
Mail In Registration:	(\$70 per team)

FORMAT Mixed Doubles
(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 Feb 19-21, 2016 dependent upon court scheduling and weather. To qualify for the tournament, teams must have completed and reported at least 6 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 of the top 4 teams in each division. The more matches you and your partner play, the higher your ranking will be.





EXCELLENCE FOR, AND FROM, ALL STUDENTS.
NORTHGATE HIGH SCHOOL

Calcutta Tennis Tournament

November 20 - 21 2015

*Raise money for Northgate Tennis
to get their courts resurfaced!*

Friday evening team auction and dinner, tournament and
lunch on Saturday morning.

Mixed doubles style tournament adults vs. adults or adults
partner with kids (with a consolation draw)

For more information, visit the Northgate Calcutta Tournament
Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/ngcalcuttatournament>

@ Club Sport Valley Vista
3737 Valley Vista Rd, Walnut Creek, CA 94598

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

Nov

Nov 16	USTA 40+ Team Registration Opens
Nov 16	USTA Mixed 40+ Team Registration Opens
Nov 22	USTA Mixed 55+ Season Closes

Dec

Dec 4-6	USTA Mixed 55+ Playoffs Round 1
Dec 7	USTA 40+ Team Registration Closes
Dec 7	USTA Mixed 40+ Team Registration Closes
Dec 11-13	USTA Mixed 55+ Playoffs Round 2
Dec 13	USTA Combo Season Closes
Dec 18	USTA 70+ Daytime Team Registration Closes

Jan

Jan 4	USTA 40+ Season Opens
Jan 4	USTA Mixed 40+ Season Opens
Jan 8-10	USTA Combo Playoffs Round 1
Jan 11	USTA 65+ Team Registration Opens
Jan 15-17	USTA Combo Playoffs Round 2

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of September 30, 2015



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

Jan - Sep '15

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

Advertising Income	120.00
League Dues	5,962.00
Membership Dues	18,450.35
Tournament Dues	2,968.62

Total Income	27,500.97
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Expense

League Expenses	7,756.02
Office Supplies	10.44
Professional Fees	750.00
Porta-Potty	358.42
Tournament Expenses	6,602.58
Website	629.55
Postage and Delivery	362.82
Rental Deposit	1,015.00
Printing and Reproduct...	1,106.51
Sectionals Fees	1,260.00
Post Office Box	100.00
Board Meeting	932.45
Captains Meetings	562.44
Tax Preparation	350.00
Tennis Balls	127.50
Scorecards	748.64
Dues and Subscriptions	40.00
Nationals Stipend	500.00
Bank Service Charges	1,002.68
Court Usage Fees	280.00
PayPal Commissions	152.93
Gifts	111.02
District Fees	1,590.00

Total Expense	26,349.00
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Net Ordinary Income	1,151.97
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Other Income/Expense

Other Income	
Interest Income	5.16
Total Other Income	5.16

Net Other Income	5.16
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Net Income	1,157.13
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Balance as of September 30, 2015 \$18,632.10



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Mixed Doubles League - Standings

6.0

Inna Taranchenko/Roman Taranchenko

W

L

2

1

7.0

Tina Sorenson Berman/Rob Holmes

4

0

8.0

Lisa Leach/Gilles Houle

4

2

9.0

No Matches played yet