

# THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

November, 2016



## 2016 Walnut Creek B Tri-Level 4.5M Team

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## THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



**Sterling Fairholm**  
2016 WCRC President

### Tennis and more tennis..

The weekend of October 22nd was filled with tennis. Not only did we have our Summer Singles Finals Tournament, but with USTA having their annual Tri-Level

Tournament, a rain rescheduled NTRP as well as combo and 55+ mixed seasons in full swing it was difficult to know where anyone was playing.

### Congratulations to Janet Nielsen and her 40+ 3.0 Women's team who are heading to NATIONALS!!!

The **Fall Mixed Doubles League** has opened sign up on line here: <http://wcrc.net/Leagues/SignUp.aspx> or fill out the form found on pages 4-5.

We will be sending out a survey to all summer singles participants to see your thoughts about the new format and any suggestions that might be helpful in streamlining this very popular event.

We have a lot of combo and mixed 55+ teams competing for playoff positions.

Team registration for 40+ and 40+ mixed is just around the corner (November 14th) with the seasons opening January 2nd. If you haven't already gotten your players lined up I would recommend getting them committed.

Check out all the photos from the Summer Singles Tournament here: <http://wcrc.zenfolio.com/p724432785>.

*Sterling*

Rudy Alvarado	Hercules	4.0	Shin Koo	Dublin	3.5
Joseph Barnes	Martinez	4.5	Chi Luong	Walnut Creek	4.5
John Barsky	Oakland	4.0	Shauntae Morris	Dublin	3.0
Nina Betts	Pleasanton	3.5	Thomas Morton	Citrus Heights	5.0
Gonzalo Blanco	Tracy	5.0	Sreevisakh Muraleedharan	Walnut Creek	2.5
Sharon Cahill	San Ramon	4.0	Mariana Noy	San Leandro	3.5
Chariton Chaltatzis	Concord	2.5	Nancy Owens	Dublin	3.0
Mike Connerley	Fairfield	4.0	Erin Pasqualini	San Ramon	3.0
Maria DeBenedetti	Danville	3.0	Jerel Pleasant	Tracy	5.0
Susie Debenham	Oakland	4.0	Michael Quintana	Martinez	4.5
Ning Docena	Santa Clara	4.0	Nick Reilley	Martinez	4.5
Jodie Dowling	Danville	4.0	Don Rieschick	Benicia	2.5
Kathleen Gerhart	Danville	4.0	Lisa Rosen	Castro Valley	2.5
Amanda Golovin	Concord	3.5	Gordon Schunick	Los Gatos	3.0
Chris Held	Walnut Creek	2.5	Lee Shin	Wilton	4.5
Joy Herrin	Pacific Grove	3.5	Yulia Vasilyeva	Walnut Creek	2.5
Holly Hewes	Walnut Creek	3.0	Otto Vejsada	Brentwood	5.0
Allisom Hickinbotham	Danville	2.5	Abhinauv Venugopal	Alameda	5.0
Doak Jones	Danville	4.0	Ramkrishna Vepa	Danville	3.5
Rand Kemp	Lafayette	3.5	Elizabeth Whisenhunt	Pittsburg	2.5
Kristine Kennedy	Danville	3.5	Shari Wiseman	Walnut Creek	3.5
Anthony Kim	Walnut Creek	4.0	Margaret Worden	Lafayette	4.0
Shayne Kirk	Lafayette	3.0	Tony Xiong	Martinez	3.5
Andrea Klembith	Danville	3.5	Gabriel Yuen	Danville	3.0



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# WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles League Registration Form (Also on-line at [www.wcrc.net](http://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

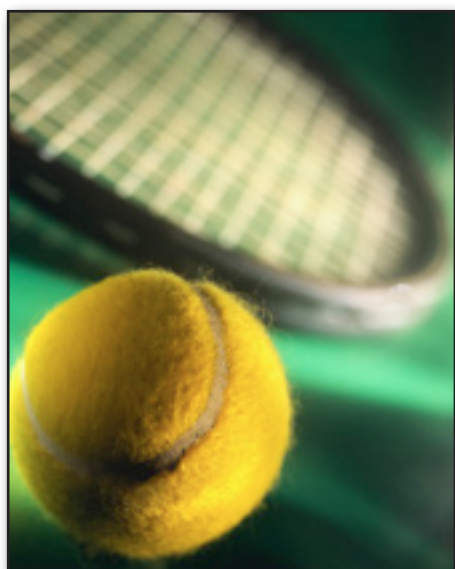
**Division for which you are registering (please check one):**

☐ Mixed 6.0

☐ Mixed 7.0

☐ Mixed 8.0

☐ Mixed 9.0

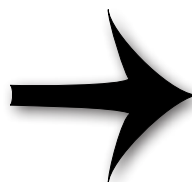


On-Line Registration will remain open until **January 13, 2017**.  
If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **January 6, 2017** with a check for registration fees (payable to WCRC) to:  
WCRC, 970 Janet Lane, Lafayette, CA 94549.

**Questions?**

**Call Pam Maloney at 925-787-3970  
or via e-mail [pam4tenis@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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, 2016 - February 5, 2017

**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 10-12, 2017 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. A minimum of 4 teams are required to generate a draw.



# NATIONALS...





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The “Violet Femz”, named after the 80’s punk band- Violent Femmes, with the famous hit “Blister in the Sun”. The Violet Femz is comprised of a number of 40+, athletes and great tennis players! Captained by Janet Nielsen and Lynne Vuskovic. The Femz had a goal in mind – “Win the 2016 3.0 40+ Championship, at the posh resort, El Conquistador, Tucson, AZ. Practice, practice, practice. Needless to say, we practiced a lot, with the addition of drill sessions and lessons. Regardless of our winning teams, we also trained to develop flexible partnerships with alternate partners, in case of last minute line- up changes. At Nationals, the Femz came in 5th place. Missing the Semi-Finals by one line. Great competition and great matches. The Femz played with guts and glory and even won a number of Good Sportsmanship awards along the way – a real class act.



Pictured left to right: Maria DeBenedetti, Lynn Bremner, Elaine Marshall, Leslie Sprinkle, Lynne Vuskovic, Janet Nielsen, Faye Isaacson, Jessica Zhang, Fely Mariuzza, Teri Frangie, Myrl Khan, Rae Corr, April Nguyen, & Petra Wilson.

# SECTIONALS...



## Nu Kids on 'th Court Team Roster:

Derryl Acosta, Christine Banton, James Deak, Cynthia Granicher, Matt Hedges, Johanna Huck, Matt Jones, Betsy Kemp, Nicole Leong, Rob Lugo, Amar Manthana, Janet Nielsen, Ashley Perez, Mel Reynoso, Rob Reynoso, Akanksha Singh, Matt Starke



## Congratulations to Napa Valley College 8.0 Mixed heading to Nationals:

Quite a few WCRC members combined with Napa to form a Nationals team: Seena Shanker, Tom Kincaid (Captain), Connor Van Alstyne, Natalie Chan, Danny Geren, Stefan Serbicki, Shay Martin, Dan Mathis (Co-Captain), Bart Moore, Soraya Marashi, Rachael Miller





# Tennis News



## Morning Tennis - Tom Roth

After playing at Heather Farm for 20 plus years Tom Roth and his wife have decided to move to Roseville to be closer to their family. The morning tennis players will miss his wit and his dreaded signature drop shot! Good Luck Tom!



Ian McLaughlin has been recovering nicely. He had a medical transport from Atlanta to Napa Friday, October 14th and is currently at Kaiser Vallejo Rehabilitation Center! Needless to say it is so much easier for Starr and the boys to visit Ian. He is in Boot Camp Vallejo where he works out 7 days a week with physical therapy classes and sessions. If you are intersted, there is a meal sign up through Sign Up Genius:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054ba9a92da13-meals>

We we have also set up a Go Fund Me page [gofundme.com/2rpxcqk](https://www.gofundme.com/2rpxcqk) to help defer expenses for Ian and his family.



If you would like be included in Ian updates please email me at [tammie4tennis@gmail.com](mailto:tammie4tennis@gmail.com) and I'll add you to the list.



# Tennis News



## End of Season party, featuring players from the following teams:

- Women's 3.0 (Captained by Nicole Leong)
- Mixed 6.0 (Captained by Nicole Leong)
- Mixed 7.0 (Captained by Nicole Leong and Priyanka Holmes)
- Mixed 8.0 (Captained by KK Tappita and Priyanka Holmes)





# Tennis News



To celebrate Walt Thomas' 85th birthday he and some "biker" friends got together for a long ride.

The ride headed SW from Union Landing to Coyote Hills Regional Park for a climb up along Meadowlark Trail aka Nike Hill to a military NIKE missile site. They enjoyed the scenic hilltop views of the South Bay! Continued along the Bayview Trail to Alameda Creek Trail for the return to Union Landing.

They had a meetup at Texas Roadhouse parking area in Union Landing to complete the celebration!





# TRI-LEVEL



**Incredible weekend, one SET away from Indian Wells!. 3.5's won the championship match in straight sets. 4.0's and 4.5's both lost heartbreaking 10 point tiebreakers! So close!**

*back row: Diane Evans, Natalie Chan, Veronica Lynch, Nancy Wong (Co-Captain), Ashley Perez,  
front row: Martha Spanos, Denise Maloney, Mary Martz, Dan Mathis( Captain), Joy Herrin*







# Summer Singles Tournament











# Summer Singles Results



**Women's 2.5**

Myrvete Lila def Thanh Dinh 6-3, 6-3



**Women's 3.5**

Natalie Ivankovich def Liz Nomura 6-1, 6-2



**Women's 3.0**

Nicole Leong def Teri Frangie 6-1, 6-3



**Women's 4.0**

Nancy O'Neil def Deanna Fong 6-0, 6-1



**Men's 3.0**

Amaresh Manthana def Andrew Bartlow  
4-6, 7-5 (ret.)



**Men's 3.5**

Matt Starke def Corey Wilson  
7-6 (8), 1-6, 6-3



**Men's 4.0**

Joe Dell'anno def Jerry O'Neal  
2-6, 6-3, 6-2



**Men's 4.5**

Nicholas Reilly def. Garrett Krueger  
7-5, 6-4



## WCRC FALL Mixed in Full Swing

Our annual FALL Mixed League began on schedule in early September with teams lining up to start playing. As of this writing, we have a total of 83 teams playing. Here's the breakdown: 14 teams at 6.0, 34 teams at 7.0, 32 teams at 8.0 and 3 teams at 9.0.

Our tournament date is scheduled for **Feb 10-12**, which gives teams a little more than 5 months to play the 6 matches needed to qualify. If we get lots of rain that interferes with play, we may elect to push the tournament into early March. We have to avoid USTA Combo Districts (Feb 24-26), President's week-end (Feb 18-19) and Super Bowl (Feb 5) which is why it may be pushed to March. We'll keep everyone posted as our winter progresses.

There's still time to sign up and play this League, so grab a partner and sign up!

Pam Maloney  
League Coordinator



### What's Happening at the Courts?

**Fall Tennis Classes:** have begun and we are currently accepting registration for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Session of Fall Classes that will begin November 1<sup>st</sup>. Registration for the first day of **Winter Tennis Classes** will begin December 5<sup>th</sup> at 8am. You can register and/or preview these schedules online at [lifetimeactivities.com](http://lifetimeactivities.com) or in the office at 1751 Heather Drive. These classes will fill up quickly so be sure to register right away. Any questions, please call our office at 925-945-0105.

**Monthly Pass Holder's Specials:** During the month of November, Lifetime Activities would like to offer all Court Usage Pass Holders a **FREE** hot drink of your choice. We would also like to invite our Court Usage Pass Holders to a **FREE** Round Robin on Friday, November 18 from 8-10pm. This event will sell out, so please sign up in the office to reserve your spot. *Enjoy!*



**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!

**Register online at [lifetimeactivities.com](http://lifetimeactivities.com) or in the office at 1751 Heather Drive.**

***Enjoy! Lifetime Activities***

# CALENDER OF EVENTS

# 2016

## Nov

Nov 14	USTA 40+ Team Registration Opens
Nov 14	USTA 40+ Mixed Team Registration Opens
Nov 20	USTA 55+ Mixed Season Closes

## Dec

Dec 2-4	USTA 55+ Mixed Playoffs Round 1
Dec 5	USTA 40+ Team Registration Closes
Dec 5	USTA 40+ Mixed Team Registration Closes
Dec 11	USTA Combo Season Closes
Dec 16	USTA 70+ Season Closes
Dec 16-18	USTA 55+ Mixed Playoffs Round 2

## Jan

Jan 2	USTA 40+ Season Opens
Jan 2	USTA 40+ Mixed Season Opens
Jan 6-8	USTA Combo Playoffs Round 1
Jan 9	USTA 65+ Team Registration Opens
Jan 20-22	USTA Combo Playoffs Round 2
Jan 30	USTA 18+ Team Registration Opens

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of September 30, 2016



### Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January through September 2016

	Jan - Sep '16
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
Income	
League Dues	13,508.81
Membership Dues	25,819.78
Tournament Dues	5,261.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>44,589.59</b>
Expense	
Board Appreciation Din...	748.92
Maintenance	14.72
League Expenses	10,734.56
Tournament Expenses	7,523.47
Office Supplies	54.59
Locks	13.00
Professional Fees	700.00
Porta-Potty	850.64
Website	864.45
Postage and Delivery	605.07
Printing and Reproduct...	1,892.14
Sectionals Fees	1,290.00
Board Meeting	604.30
Captains Meetings	478.70
Tax Preparation	250.00
President's Gift	100.00
Contributions	300.00
Dues and Subscriptions	40.00
Bank Service Charges	135.00
Filling Fees	20.00
Court Usage Fees	435.00
Rental Fees	1,125.00
PayPal Commissions	889.98
Gifts	91.37
District Fees	2,160.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>31,920.91</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>12,668.68</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>	
Other Income	
Interest Income	2.76
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>2.76</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>2.76</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>12,671.44</b>

Balance as of September 30, 2016 **\$31,081.55**



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## Mixed Doubles League - Standings

**6.0**

Vangie Wolford/Leonard Young

**W**

**L**

4

0

**7.0**

Isabella Galang/Elliot Feinberg

4

0

**8.0**

Corrine Christensen/Shridhar Swaminathan

3

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