

THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

October, 2017



Tennis Thanks The Troops

Walnut Creek Racquet Club

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Glenn McBee
2017 WCRC President

October 2017

As the days get shorter and nights longer, winter and darkness loom. The good news is that we play tennis all year long! Singles league is just about over; tourney will take place this month, look for details in email and newsletter. Mixed doubles is now underway. Find a partner and join the league!

You can sign up at <http://www.wcrc.net/Leagues/Login.aspx>. "Tennis for the Troops" Was a great success! Check out some pictures in this newsletter. Well done Joe!

The WCRC had 7 55+ teams which made it into local playoffs and 5 moving on to sectionals. Also had 11 mixed teams make it into locals with 5 on to sectionals. Looks like the CREEK is on the rise! GO CREEK!

55+ teams - Alan Roth 6.0 (S), Lloyd Hohenstein 8.0 (S), Ernest Schulze 8.0, Maureen Satcher 7.0 (S), Claudia Polidori 7.0 (S), Myrl Kan 8.0, Arlene Acosta (S)

18+ Mixed - Cara Mia 6.0, Nicole Leong 6.0 (S), Glenn McBee 7.0, Nicole Leong 7.0, Violeta Franco 8.0, Tammie Snyder 8.0 (S), Lisa Italia 8.0 (S), Joanne Rupert 8.0, Carlos Carbajal 9.0 (S), Fenny Widjaja 9.0, Lisa Cheng 10.0 (S)

And a Special Congrats to Cara Mia Barnacascel and her 2.5 team as they are heading to NATIONALS!

Rules – Can I call a hindrance if my opponent's hat blows off?

ITF Rule 26 - Yes, the point shall be replayed if a player is hindered in playing the point by either an unintentional act of the opponent(s), or something outside the player's own control (not including a permanent fixture).

However, nothing a player does entitles that player to call a let. For example, a player is not entitled to a let because the player breaks a string, the player's hat falls off, or a ball in the player's pocket falls out.

Just need to know if it was the wind or player caused, and if it was even a hindrance. This actually happened in U.S. Open in 2012 between Murray and Berdych. Read more (than you thought possible) about hat hindrance. <http://tennisfixation.com/tennis-rule-hat-hindrance.html>

Be well and we will see you on the courts!

Glenn

N**EW MEMBERS****Welcome to Our 21 New Members**
Current Membership: 1223

Norma Brewer	Pittsburg	4.0	Fred Loeb	Berkeley	3.0
Sergio Castillo	San Ramon	3.5	Mariah Mandt	Martinez	4.5
Stephanie Chamberlin	Danville	3.5	Jennifer Marquis	Danville	3.0
Kelly Copland	Walnut Creek	3.0	Sabrina McQueen	Walnut Creek	3.0
Nicholas de Goede	Tracy	5.0	Steve Parent-Lew	Pittsburg	4.0
Todd Ellis	Walnut Creek	4.0	Warren Parti	Alamo	3.5
Monica Fitzgerald	Walnut Creek	3.5	Ali Rago	Danville	3.0
Wendy Greenberg	Walnut Creek	4.0	Rick Schaffel	Moraga	3.0
Nga Gross	Danville	2.5	Luke Swann	Pittsburg	3.0
Yelena Larionova	Walnut Creek	4.0	Laurie Wolfe	Danville	3.0
Christopher Lau	Walnut Creek	3.5			



Membership questions contact:
Glenn McBee at 925-984-6710
 or email at: glennmcbee@gmail.com

**Lifetime Tennis****What's Happening at the Courts?****FALL IS HERE!**

Lifetime Activities would like to congratulate all Walnut Creek teams headed to Sectionals.
GO CREEK!!!!

Monthly Pass Holder's Specials: During the month of October, Lifetime Activities is giving away one (1) FREE CANDY to Current Court Usage Pass holders. Please stop by the office to claim. Only one candy per pass holder, please.



Tennis Classes & Camps: Registration for Fall Session registration is now open. Tennis classes for all ages and abilities are available. Come by the office for a flyer or view the schedule online at lifetimeactivities.com

**Pickleball, Table Tennis, Badminton, and Chess:**

Lifetime Activities also offers Adult Pickleball, Youth Table Tennis, Badminton, Chess, as well as Combo classes at Tice Valley Gym. For more information, visit our website at lifetimeactivities.com.

Want to Play with the Pro?: Our USPTA Certified Pros, Joe Noth and Duncan Leiggi will be hosting Round Robin clinics every **Tuesday (9-11AM)** and **Friday (8-10PM)**. Space is limited, so be sure to sign up in advance to hold your spot. (\$5.00 Pass Holders, \$10.00 Non-Pass Holders).

Visit us online at lifetimeactivities.com or in the office at 1751 Heather Drive.
Please call with any questions at 925-945-0105.



Tennis News



6.0 Codgers Go ALL THE WAY

by Alan Roth

The 6.0 codgers had a great time at sectionals at Elk Grove this weekend winning nicely all 4 of our matches. Most of the team watched or participated. This is not only a strong team but a supportive team with most of the players quite supportive of the team spirit.

As they say at the super bowl, we are going to Disneyland. The national tennis center to compete on clay courts end of October.



Pictured: Chandra Mundra, Bill Pratt, Jeff Nipp, Rob Corder, Alan Roth (captain), Alan Biocca, Bill Petaccio, Eric Wall, Rich Overby, Dan Katzman

Not shown: Joel Golub, Steve Zalewski, Tom Beatty, Mike Bloomstein

After playoffs: Dan, Eric, Bill Pratt, Alan B Alan R and Tom Beatty.





Tennis News



Men's 8.0 55 Men's Team

Captained by Lloyd Hohenstein, Co-Captained by Bret Jones

We had a super competitive season in our flight with six teams in contention for the top 4 playoff spots. Our team moved from 4th place to 1st at the end by winning two critical matches. In playoffs we first beat Walnut Creek B team captained by Ernie Schultz, then Diamond Hills in the second round. Both great wins, getting us to Sectionals.

On the first two days of sectionals we played Reno, La Cantera (Santa Rosa) and Seascape. We won all three matches, 2-1, 3-0, 3-0. The team played amazing well and had a lot of fun.

On Sunday's semi-final match we played Sierra Sport (Fresno) who had two former teaching pro's on the team. We lost 3-0 but 2 teams went to third set TB's and both lost by two points. Sierra Sport went on to win the finals against Pleasanton. Great experience and fun tennis all weekend.

I'd like to recognize the following team members and friends:

Bret Jones: Best co-captain always with the best advice and an amazing net player

Michael Connerley: The team's biggest cheerleader and analyst and our fastest most aggressive player

Stan Smallwood: Partnered multiple players bringing the strongest forehand

Al Vigil: A great addition to the team who is one of the teams smartest players.

Ron Edwall: Our powerhouse hitter who overpowers the opponents.

Jerry Garcia: The team's biggest supporter and one of our smartest players.

Doak Jones: A strong player who helped us win at Sectionals when he is not on vacation.

Terry Camp: The team's favorite serve and volleyer who helped us win at Sectionals.

Michael Attiyeh and Rob Corder: The 4.5/3.5 combo that helped us make playoffs, much appreciated.

Paul Dubrasich: Battled various injuries to help get us some wins.

Joe Thomas: Has the best hands on the team.

Vincent Yamamoto: Always ready to play a match with his deadly lefty serve.

Ray Rockwell: Serve and volleys like a pro and super backhand return.



Photo l-r:

*Mike Connerley, Jerry Garcia,
Lloyd Hohenstein, Bret Jones,
Al Vigil, Ron Edwall
and Doak Jones*



Tennis News



Women's 55+ 7.0 A Team

by Maureen Satcher

We started off the season with a loss and bounced back to a 9-1 record. We won our playoff match and we headed off to Sectionals.

We came up a little short at Sectionals but had a blast anyway. This teams proves that whether you win or lose, friendships are what counts at the end of the day!

As a captain, I can honestly say that this team was the best!

Players: Cynthia Attiyeh, Laurie Blackiston, Cherie Charbonneau, Lynn Deckert, Terri Hernandez, Caryl Kohler, Julieta Leong, Pamela Maloney, Janet Nielsen, Kathy Poppleton, Pru Pruden, Becky Reiss, Sally Van Oosbree, Lisa Warrne, Mary Kay Wilcock





Tennis News



Women's 55+ 7.0 B Team

by Claudia Polidori

Womens 55 7.0B team had a great season culminating with a trip to sectionals.

Pictured left to right: Cindy Bustamonte, Barbara Leivent, Dolores Schmidt, Heidi Timken, Ernesto, Lorna Zlock, Claudia Polidori, Liz Nomura, Shelley Doppe and Sheila Hoyer.

Not pictured Maria Chiang, Terri Coleman, Lori Deornellas, Suzanne Garrett, Fran Hazell, Shubha Moorthy and Sue Schwartzman.



Sectionals!



Tennis News



Nu Kids Mixed 6.0 Advance to Sectionals!

by Nicole Leong



Playoffs Round I: Matt Starke, Brady Thomas, Nicole Leong, Rob Lugo, Christine Banton, Brian Dang, Myrvete Llila, Katie Rieshick and Zuhel Elhan.

Not pictured: Madeline Ahern, Alan Biocca, Kristina Gonzi-Hurt, Stephanie Hiew, Faye Isaacson, Laith Kadourhe, Betsy Kemp, Cy Lucas, Bal Mears, Rich Overby, Franz Riedel and Gary Scott



Playoffs Round II: Nicole Leong, Zuhel Elhan, Stephanie Hiew, Katie Rieshick, Betsy Kemp, Matt Starke, Brian Dang, Brady Thomas and Gary Scott.

Not pictured: Madeline Ahern, Christine Banton, Alan Biocca, Kristina Gonzi-Hurt, Faye Isaacson, Laith Kadourhe, Myrvete Lila, Cy Lucas, Rob Lugo, Bal Mears, Rich Overby and Franz Riedel.



Tennis News



Mixed 18+ 7.0

by Glenn McBee

What a wonderful season we had! I liked the way our team looked once we got it put together, but we stumbled at the start of the season losing our first 2 matches. Fortunately we finished strong winning our last 5 matches, and found out on the last day of the season that we would finish in 1st place. Our flight seemed pretty tough as 6 teams competed for a playoff spot through the last week of the season. In round 1 of local playoffs we had to battle Valley Vista again, the team we split regular season matches with, and it was another close match that we were able to win. Then we hosted a very tough Diamond Hills team, who we had beaten during the season, which isn't always a good indication of how a playoff match would play out. It was very close, our players gave it their all, Diamond Hills was just better on that day. Lisa and I were happy to captain a wonderful group of teammates. Great season!

Pictured l-r: Glenn, Susan, Mark, Lisa, Kwang, Miwon, Terry, Jeongah. Not pictured: Jana, Paul, Cherie, Rob, Jamie, Erin, Mikelle, Tammie, Corey, Ahmed and Jeff.



Two WCRC 8.0 Mixed Teams Battle it Out

by Tammie Snyder

Congratulations to Violeta Franco's and Tammie Snyder's 8.0 Mixed Teams for finishing in the top four in their division. Always hard to play your friends but so much respect on the courts!



Sectionals Bound!

back row l-r: Carlos Carbajal, Elliot Feinberg, Ben Feinberg, Pru Pruden, Carlos Gonzalez, Tammie Snyder (captain) Violeta Franco (captain) Justin Snyder, Dmytro Bazulin, Yana Bazulina, Perry Ann Jeveli, Priyanka Holmes, Mike Yurkus, Stephen Wright.

front row l-r: Becca Perez, Melissa Heng, Heidi Belton, Amanda Van Nortwick, Jen Cano



Tennis News



Yet another 8.0 Mixed Team Heading to Sectionals

by Lisa Italia

Our 18+ 8.0 mixed team finished up a great regular season and playoff with a hard fought win against a very good Pinole team at their place. Congrats to this great crew and we look forward to representing WCRC at Sectionals! Go Creek!



*Pictured back row l-r: Shridhar Swaminathan, Martin Nunez, Matt Kim, Francisco Macias, Danny Geren, and Brian Italia
Front row: Somi Lim, Jenna Kim, Susan Sovik.*

Sectionals Bound!



Tennis News



Sets Machines are Headed to Sectionals!

by Carlos Carbajal

Walnut Creek 9.0B was one of only FOUR 9.0 teams in Diablo North. We ended the season with a 7-3 record, losing 1-2, three times to the same Walnut Creek team (9.0C, Fenny Widjaja's team). Come playoffs, we were in second place - the underdog, and we had to face Fenny's team again. It was a tough match with great players on both sides of the net. Luckily, we were able to pull through and are now headed to Laguna Creek for Sectionals. Congratulations to all on a great season so far!



Jessica Abels, Michael Bedard, Zeke, Isabella Galang (Co-Captain), Elliot Feinberg, Violeta Franco, Carlos Carbajal (captain), and Ben Feinberg.

Not Pictured: Byron Bardy, Lizzy Chao, Wyler Collo, Alyssa Hilgen, Ebony Hodges, Mariah Mandt, Ryan Meganck, Cathy Pantaleo, Matt Panuwat, Kevin Pfeffinger, and Peter Sullivan



Sectionals Bound!!

Lifetime Activities at Walnut Creek Hosts First Annual Tennis Thanks the Troops Event

Lifetime Activities hosted their first annual event to benefit the Tennis Thanks the Troops organization on September 9th and 10th. Tennis Thanks the Troops is an organization whose mission is to provide scholarships for military families by engaging members of the tennis community. The event kicked off with a night time round robin doubles tourney, food, a silent auction and a USTA fast serve booth. The Walnut Creek Racket Club who was very instrumental in planning the event was in attendance along with Army recruiters, local vendors and plenty of players ready for a good time.

The next day the kids came out to show their support with a unique twist on the traditional walkathon. They participated in a rally-a-thon where they got to collect donations based on the number of balls hit during the event. The Lifetime Pro's also got to work giving lessons for donations. "I am so pleased to see everyone out here having a good time and supporting this cause," said Lifetime Tennis Director Joe Noth. Noth comes from 3 generations of military service members first came into contact with the organization at the 2016 USPTA World Conference. "I was really impressed at what they were doing to help military families and thought we could contribute to the cause," said Noth. Tennis Thanks the Troops has raised over 12million in scholarships for military families and includes the Bryan Brothers and basketball superstar Steph Curry as supporters. The Walnut Creek event raised over \$5000 for the organization. If you would like to show your support for military families you can donate at <http://www.thanksusa.org/tennis-thanks-the-troops.html>



Tennis Thanks The Troops





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

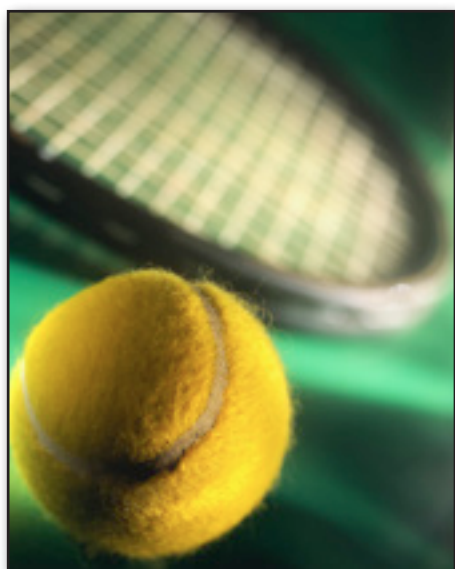
Division for which you are registering (please check one): Fill out a new form for additional levels.

☐ Mixed 6.0

☐ Mixed 7.0

☐ Mixed 8.0

☐ Mixed 9.0

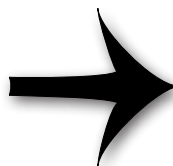


On-Line Registration will remain open until **January 12, 2018**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **January 5, 2018** with a check for registration fees (payable to Walnut Creek Racquet Club **NOT** WCRC) to: WCRC, P.O. Box 4574, Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Questions?

**Call Nicole Leong at 407.243.8645
or via e-mail nhlphoenix@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)

NEW! As a trial, the WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles League will run separately from the Tournament. Tournament draws will be completely random and registration will open early 2018 date TBA. Tournament will take place on February 9–11, 2018.

In the WCRC mixed doubles league we will continue to offer on-line scoring and real-time updated standings for all four (4) divisions. There will only be one team crowned as the division winner! Don't forget that the league registration includes unlimited regular season doubles matches.

LEAGUE COMMISSIONER Nicole Leong: 407.243.8645

DATES September 1, 2017 – February 4, 2018

LEAGUE 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, must play full third set not 10-point tiebreaker. Both teams responsible for bringing balls to match; winning team gets unopened can. Matches should be played according to the rules of Tennis."

TOURNAMENT The WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles tournament will run separately from the Fall Mixed Doubles league. The draw will be completely random, held over the weekend of February 9–11, 2018. Depending on the number of entrants, tournament play may include matches on Friday evening. Stay tuned for the tournament registration and fees opening early 2018!



***Tournament Fees are not included in League Fees.**



Courts and Cabernet

Tennis and Wine Event in Danville, CA

October 21, 4pm

Shadow Hills Clubhouse
1001 El Capitan Dr., Danville, CA
\$40 per person all inclusive

Tickets available online:
www.courtsandcabernet.com

Combining the pleasures of both wine and tennis, our events deliver the perfect time out! Start on court with professional coach Juan Cedeno for instruction and play, finish indoors at a “pop-up” tasting room! Wine expert Elaine Marshall, ACWP hosts attendees through the wine flight. Winery TBA. Designed for both tennis enthusiasts and beginners alike. 21 and over please.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

2017

Nov

Nov 13 USTA 40+ Team Registration Opens
Nov 19 USTA 55+ Mixed Team Season Closes

Dec

Dec 1-3 USTA 55+ Mixed Team Playoffs Round 1
Dec 10 USTA 40+ Mixed Team Season Closes
Dec 10 USTA Combo Team Season Closes
Dec 10 USTA 40+ Team Registration Closes
Dec 15 USTA 70+ Daytime Team Season Closes
Dec 15-17 USTA 55+ Mixed Team Playoffs Round 2

2018

Jan

Jan 5-7 USTA Combo Team Playoffs Round 1
Jan 8 USTA 40+ Season Opens
Jan 15 USTA 65+ Team Registration Opens
Jan 19-21 USTA Combo Team Playoffs Round 2

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder

as of August 31, 2017



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January through August 2017

Jan - Aug '17

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income	
Advertising Income	75.00
Membership Dues	15,302.99
League Dues	10,050.20
Tournament Dues	7,244.44

Total Income	32,672.63
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Expense

Board Meeting	1,076.84
Captains Meetings	1,456.89
EVENT FEES	190.00
Board Appreciation Din...	723.97
Nationals Stipend	500.00
Porta-Potty	914.11
Postage and Delivery	1,825.42
Sectionals Fees	990.00
SUSPENSE	250.00
League Expenses	7,149.13
Tournament Expenses	7,296.57
Office Supplies	15.04
Locks	18.47
Professional Fees	525.00
Rental Deposit	-500.00
Printing and Reproduct...	1,435.96
Tax Preparation	250.00
President's Gift	75.04
Contributions	2,000.00
Dues and Subscriptions	40.00
Bank Service Charges	120.00
Filling Fees	75.00
Court Usage Fees	0.00
Rental Fees	1,125.00
District Fees	2,130.00
Website	579.55

Total Expense	30,261.99
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Net Ordinary Income	2,410.64
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Other Income/Expense

Other Income	
Interest Income	3.22
Total Other Income	3.22

Net Other Income	3.22
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Balance as of August 31, 2017 \$32,630.96



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Summer Singles League - Standings

Men's

	W	L
3.0 Cy Lucas	8	1
3.5 Roger Wang	14	10
4.0 Radhakrishnan Vrajmohan	10	8
4.5/5.0 Ignacio Belderrain	8	0

Women's

	W	L
2.5 Christina Tapp	5	0
3.0 Rosalynd Zahiri	5	2
3.5 Inna Taranchenko	14	5
4.0 Nancy O'Neill	7	0