



THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

March, 2017



Erik Lee celebrated long time friend and tennis partner Sean Barnacascel's USTA Captain of the year award by getting a tattoo! Now that's a commitment!

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Glenn McBee
2018 WCRC President

March 2018

Spring is coming! Have you signed up for Adult doubles yet? Do it! You can sign up at <http://www.wcrc.net/Leagues/Login.aspx>. Well our Mixed Doubles tourney was interesting... We tried something new, by separating league from tournament. Was not

the result we had hoped for... In future, we will be keeping leagues and tourneys connected. We will keep trying to make this the best club you will find! Ideas welcome, send to me your ideas.

Congratulations to David Pintado for his recognition for joining the USTA's No-Cut Coach All-Star team! ORLANDO, F.L, January 22, 2018 – The United States Tennis Association (USTA) today announced its No-Cut Coach All-Star Team. Local high school coach David Pintado of MT. Diablo High School in Concord, Calif., has been selected as a member of the team which recognizes exceptional high school coaches who implement an inclusive “no-cut” policy for their high school tennis team. You embrace the best of tennis’s spirit, and we thank you!

And welcome to our, ok, Lifetime’s new Office Manager Everett Louie. He is doing a great job! Welcome!

Congratulations to all who made it to Districts and to our 2 teams that are moving on to Sectionals.

Miwon Vella W5.5

Sean Barnacascel M8.5.

Good luck!

And always remember to be courteous on (and off) the court.

Be well and we will see you on the courts!

Glenn

**Please look for the
2017 Fall Mixed Doubles Tournament
photos and results in the April issue!**

COMING SOON

Julie Adelson	Alamo	3.5	Kayla Hornbrook	Vacaville	2.5
Erin Boyd	Orinda	4.0	Cathie Izen	Walnut Creek	3.0
Cindy Bustamante	Walnut Creek	3.5	Fritz Johnson	Martinez	4.0
William Carstens	Walnut Street	3.0	Melinda Lumpkin	Gilroy	3.0
Debra Etzel	Dublin	4.0	Michele Machiels	Brentwood	3.0
Francine Fitzgerald	San Ramon	2.5	Lisa Miller	Napa	4.5
Phyllis Flack	Walnut Creek	2.5	John Perry	Yuba City	3.5
Greg Fox	Walnut Creek	4.5	Nomi Sanchez	San Ramon	2.5
Dawn Greenaway	Walnut Creek	3.5	Kimberly Thoma	Fairfield	3.5
Kathryn Hawkins	Danville	4.0	Cheryl Walsh	Walnut Creek	3.0
Michel Heeneman	El Sobrante	4.5			



Membership questions contact:
Pam Maloney at 925-787-3970
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Lifetime Activities What's Happening at the Courts?

Spring Classes & Youth Summer Camps: *Spring 1 & 2 classes and Summer Camps* are now **OPEN** for registration. We offer tennis classes and camps at the WCTC and indoor (Badminton Table Tennis, and Chess combo classes). You can register and preview class / camp schedules online at lifetimeactivities.com or stop by the office.

Monthly Pass Holder's Specials: All current Court Usage Pass Holders are invited to join us for two **FREE** Cardio Clinics. We are offering a Late Night Cardio Clinic on Monday, March 26th from 9:00-10:00PM, and a Daytime Cardio Clinic on Thursday, March 29th from 9:00-10:00AM. Beverages and light refreshments will be provided.

Tennis & Pickleball Court Fundraising: At present, the City of Walnut Creek has approved \$300,000 in funding towards the \$500,000 expected cost of the tennis and pickleball additions at Heather Farm; leaving a shortfall of approximately \$200,000. Lifetime Activities has pledged an additional \$100,000 towards a dollar for dollar fundraising match. All interested donors will be acknowledged through a recognition display at the center. Checks can be made out to the City of Walnut Creek (with Tennis/Pickleball Center Improvements in the notes section) and can be mailed or hand-delivered to the tennis center; with attention to Isabella Galang. For more information about the fundraising effort, feel free to respond via email or stop by the tennis office at your convenience.

Want to Play with the Pro?: Our USPTA Certified Pros, Joe Noth and Duncan Leiggi will be hosting Round Robins every **Tuesday (9-11 AM)** 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) See you on the courts!

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



Tennis News



Walnut 7.5 Combo Men...So Close

We had a great season! We started on a long winning streak to start the season with 8 straight match wins. Until we ran into a tough WC team [Alan's team] to hand us our first loss. We went on to finish the season at 9-1 that placed us second in our flight. In the first round of playoffs, we faced Alan's team and were able to avenge our only loss of the season with a 2-1 victory to move us into the second round of playoffs. In the second round, we came up against another WC team [Patrick's team] to pull off a 2-1 win in a STB.

At Districts, Day One - We loss a close one to Johnson Ranch in a STB and fell 1-2. Day Two - We rallied to get a 2-1 win over Novato. Day Three - We closed out Districts with a sweep of Santa Clara in very close matches. We barely missed the wildcard spot to Sectionals. Our guys played great all season, and we had fun doing so. We had the pleasure to meet and then had to say good bye to Kwang. Hope you and J are finding your new home to your liking. We miss you two! We will do it again next year guys!

Our team: Dee Acosta (Co Captain), Corey Alexander, Gerry Brown, Phil Chuang, James Deak, Carlo Guariento, Matt Hedges, Kwang Ho Kim, Zurab Lobzhanidze, Cy Lucas, Robert Lugo, Glenn McBee (Captain), Jason Mitchell, Bob Satcher, Rick Schaffel, Matt Starke, Mark Vella, Minh Vu, Steve Zalewski





Tennis News



Tennis Addicts 5.5 Women's Combo wins 2017 Sectional Championship

What a way to end a perfect 17–0 season by bringing home the district championship. I couldn't be more proud to be part of this awesome team!

*Back left- Eileen Chang, Shannon
Roecklein, Kate Morgan-Chu
Front left- Vangie Wolford, Sheila
Melencion, Nga Gross, Miwon Vella, Becky
Whisenhunt, Marison Kimura*



*Marison Kimura, Vangie Wolford, Lori Guariento,
Miwon Vella, Sheila Melencion, Becky Whisenhunt,
Shannon Roecklein*



Sectionals Bound!



*Marison Kimura,
Vangie Wolford,
Sheila Melencion,
Miwon Vella,
Becky Whisenhunt,
Shannon Roecklein,
Lori Guariento*



Tennis News



The competition was fierce. We battled hard and came up short but had a great time. Looking forward to next season.



Somi Lim, Deidre Rubcich, Veronica Roussel, Susan Aneja, Lisa Italia, Susan Sovik, Rachel Chang

Districts...



Julieta San, Susan Sovik, Andrea Klembith

Our last day, and heading home. Lisa Italia, Susan Aneja, Veronica Roussel



Below: Susan Sovik, Susan Aneja, Rachel Chang, Lisa Italia, Julieta San, Veronica Roussel, Andrea Klembith





Tennis News



Tammie Snyder and Kathleen “Pru” Pruden’s 7.5 Combo Women team had a blast up at districts with 17 different players participating. We gave it our all but came up just short. This was a “team effort”. Congratulations to Jennifer Caruso and Jessie Thomas who both received Sportsmanship awards from their opponents. I could not be a more proud captain!



left - right: Perry Ann Jeveli, Kathleen Pruden (co-captain), Melissa Heng, Tammie Snyder (captain) Krisztina Kohlhaas, Mary Conversano, Heidi Belton, Cherie Charbonneau, Violeta Franco and Christine Hohenstein.

Not pictured: Yana Bazulina, Jennifer Caruso, Natlie Chan, Ellie Kann, Soyoung Kim, Sally Krapf, Barbara Leivent, Claudia Polidori, Jessie Thomas, Amanda Van Nortwick and Helen Yang

Jennifer Caruso with her Sportsmanship Award Pin.





Tennis News



6.5 B's lose in close matches at Districts

Our gals played their hearts out all season and won their local league playoffs...however, when we got to Districts our opponents took the wins in 2 of the 3 matches..but not without a fight from our gals.

The matches were very close as we lost most of them in the Coman Tie Breaker. We all are now looking forward to the upcoming Adult League season and feel we learned a lot from this past weekends play.

A big thanks to the team for you season long effort and support!

Carolyn Spady

Saturdays winning team:

*Eileen Chang,
Jennifer Dinh,
Betsy Kemp, Devon
Brodhead, Jan
Lipnicke. Mary
Jane Reilly*



*Devon
Brodhead,
Eileen
Chang, Katie
Mannion,
Shannon
Roecklein,
Natalie
Ivankovich,
Jan Lipnicke*



Tennis News



Oh the places we'll go...

Our 40+ mixed team had a fabulous season, fun and great competition every match, Lost the first 2, won 6, lost the last 2. Had a hecka' match against DH in playoffs, but they were a bit better. Our team just had a great time and played well. Check out our end of season party! The Creek is the place to play!

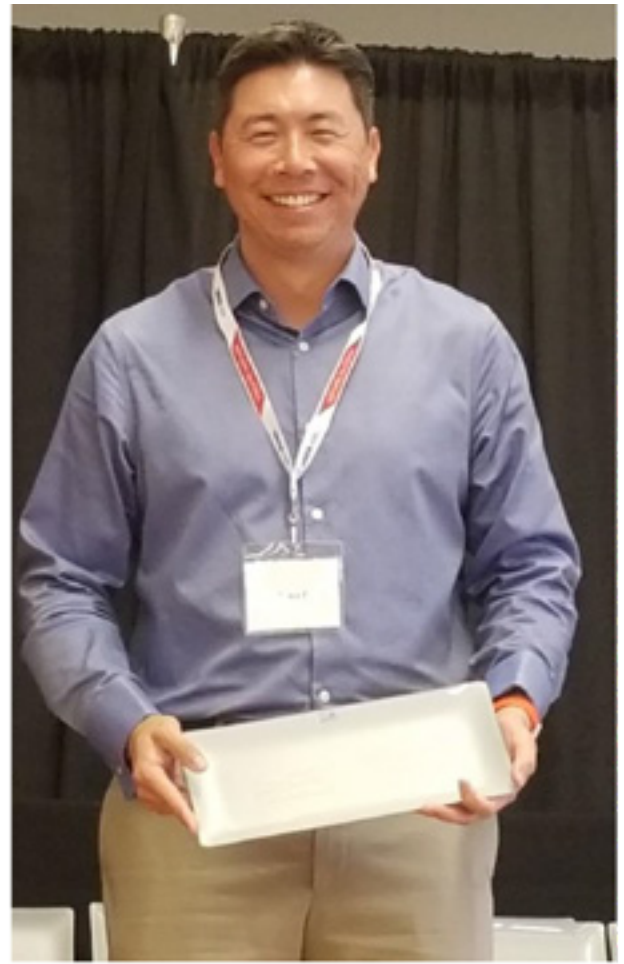
Our team – Jana Bachman, Cherie Charboneau, Rob Corder, Jamie Guzzaldo, Terry Hill, Lisa Italia, Caryl Kohler, Somi Lim, Mikelle and Erin Mccoin, Ahmed Murad, Jerry O'Neal, Kim Phillips, Susan Sovick, Miwon and Mark Vella and Leonard Young



Sean Barnacascel – USTA Diablo North Captain of the Year!

When I heard Sean was being recognized by the USTA for Captain of the Year I was so ecstatic that I got a tattoo! This award is well earned, a very deserving captain and tennis ambassador. Cheers Brother







Congratulations to Priyanka and Robert Holmes who gave birth to Evan Godbole Holmes. Evan was born at 2:06 am, Tuesday, January 16th, 2018. He weighed 6lbs 3oz and was 19 inches long



Congratulations to Nicole Leong and Matt Starke who gave birth to Parker Jett Starke. Parker was born February 2, 2018 at 5:25 pm. He weight 6 lbs 14 oz at birth and was 20.5" long.



Congratulations to Cai and Eudean Sun who gave birth to Gaia Aurora Diada Sun.

Gaia (pronounced Guy-ah) arrived perfectly on Valentine's Day February 14, 2018 at 6:06 am. She was 4 lbs 14 oz at birth.

Hello Tennis and Pickleball Enthusiasts!

A number of improvements are coming to the Heather Farms Tennis Center in 2018.

New Tennis And Pickleball Courts!

We are proud to announce plans for building one (1) additional Tennis court and two (2) Pickleball courts at the Heather Farm Tennis Center. This facility expansion is a collaboration between the City of Walnut Creek, Lifetime Activities (formerly Lifetime Tennis) and the Tennis/Pickleball community. At present, the City has approved \$300,000 in funding towards the \$500,000 expected cost of the expansion project. Lifetime Activities has pledged an additional \$100,000 towards a dollar for dollar fundraising match. We need to raise \$100,000 in matching funds to get the courts built! This which will enable the Tennis and Pickleball court capital improvement to be fully funded. IMPORTANT NOTE: All interested donors will be acknowledged through a recognition display at the center. Checks can be made out to the City of Walnut Creek (with Tennis/Pickleball Center Improvements in the notes section) and can be mailed or hand-delivered to the tennis center; with attention to Isabella Galang.

USTA Teams Moving Back To Courts 1, 2, 3 This March!

We will once again be utilizing courts 1, 2 and 3 for USTA matches, WCRC events and other competitive play opportunities; occurring in mid March, 2018. At that time, lessons, camps and clinics will take place on courts 8, 9, and 10; with occasional overflow programming (as in previous years) on courts 6 & 7. Lifetime Activities is pleased to see the court 1 safety concerns, as long-associated with the overhanging oak tree, are a thing of the past.

Shade Structure Coming This Spring!

To compliment the recently resurfaced tennis courts (Spring 2017) at the center, we will be installing a large new shade structure this spring...in the courtyard in between the tennis building and court 4. Lifetime Activities will remit payment for the structure itself and City Staff will oversee and fund the installation portion of the project. The structure will enhance the viewing experience for players, students and guests and help provide a bit of reprieve from the summer sun!

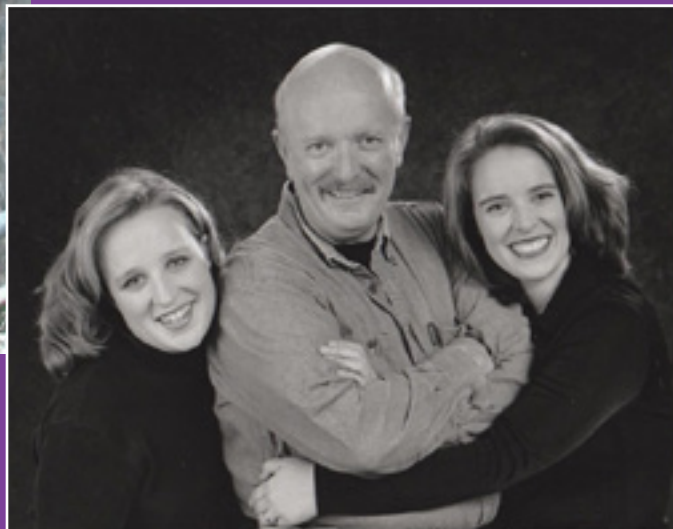


HEATHER FARM PARK PICKLEBALL - TENNIS COURT ADDITIONS

MCARDLE DESIGN
landscape architecture
3405 MISSION DRIVE SUITE 207 LATHAM, CA 94540

In Memory

Rick Smith



We are deeply saddened to share that volunteer leader and former Board Member Rick Smith passed away unexpectedly on January 31st. Our thoughts are with his daughters, Ericka and Shannon, as well as his wife Euna, and the rest of their family. The staff and volunteers who had the honor of knowing Rick will dedicate our efforts to honor and celebrate Rick and his commitment to creating a world without Alzheimer's.

From Elizabeth Edgerly

"The Alzheimer's Association lost a true champion for the cause. Rick Smith was a passionate supporter in almost every aspect of our work: fundraising, research, advocacy, care and support, concern and awareness. He rallied the community to our cause – recruiting board members, donors and families in need of help. If something needed doing, Rick was there to help! There was only one Rick. We will miss him dearly."

Elizabeth Edgerly, PhD

Executive Director

Alzheimer's Association, Northern California and Northern Nevada Chapter

Rick got involved with the Alzheimer's Association when his first wife, Susie, was diagnosed with younger-onset Alzheimer's. Rick was Susie's caregiver for 10 years – she died in 2008 at the age of 61. Rick started participating in the Walk to End Alzheimer's in 2001.

Rick was a committed leadership volunteer with our chapter, involved in all parts of our mission. Rick was a former Board member, member of many committees, former Chair of The Longest Day committee, top Walk to End Alzheimer's fundraiser and advocate. He was a relentless fundraiser and his Smith Ranch Chili Cook-Off was an event to remember. He and his family have raised over \$300,000 for the Alzheimer's Association. Rick supported fundraisers such as Memories in the Making Art and Wine Auction and Reason to Hope as a past committee member, donor, and supporter. His lively auction bidding was always fun to watch. Rick had

Please join us to celebrate the life of Richard Smith, who passed away on January 31, 2018. We will take this time to remember and celebrate an extraordinary life well lived, and to honor the many contributions that he made. We will have live music, great locally brewed beer, heavy appetizers and pub food, and much love. Please forward this invitation to anyone that you think we may have missed, and do RSVP so that we can have an accurate head count. If you have photos that you think we should add to the movie reel, please send them directly to Ericka at erickasuzanne@gmail.com

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Alzheimer's Association of Northern California Walk to End Alzheimers. You can donate directly to our team here; <http://act.alz.org/goto/shannola>

Saturday, April 7 at 3 PM - 8 PM
Old Kan Beer and Co.
95 Linden Street, Ste 11, Oakland, California 94607

already set up his team for The Longest Day this year – Rick's Tin Cuppers.

Rick volunteered to give educational presentations, frequently agreeing to travel to more remote parts of our chapter territory.

Rick was such a voice for all of us – and was intimately involved in our advocacy work, attending Alzheimer's Advocacy Day in California and the Advocacy Forum in D.C., becoming an Ambassador for Congressman McNerney and serving on the California Alzheimer's Advisory Committee. He read everything the Association sent him, and turned it around immediately to advocate for others.

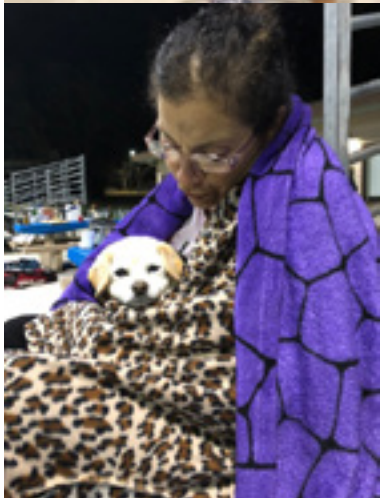
Rick's passion and determination brought others to our cause. He was a friend and supporter for many of us in our work, and a tireless advocate. Rick showed up to every activity wearing Alzheimer's Association gear and was very well informed, citing data and breakthroughs, often events that had happened just the day before.

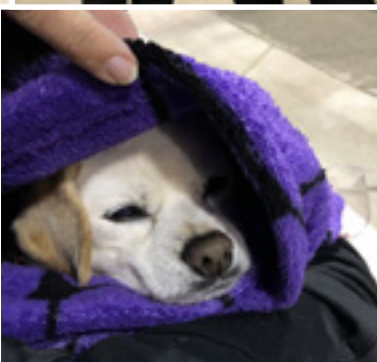
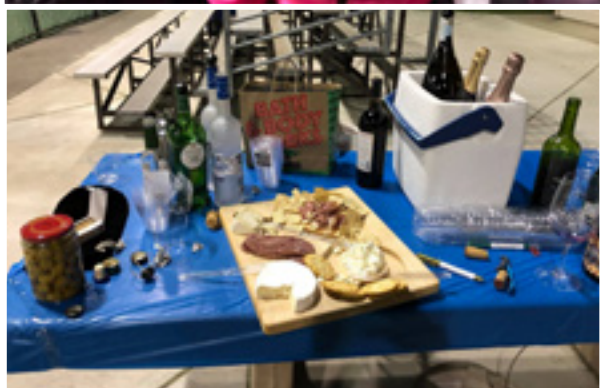
Rick was full of enthusiasm and energy for our work. Staff, other volunteers and event participants appreciated Rick's words of encouragement, tips and his smile. We learned so much from him, and he inspired us – by his example – to be relentless. He will be greatly missed.





Valentine's Day Fun at the Courts





WCRC Men's & Women's 2018 Winter Doubles League Registration Form (Also on-line at www.wcrc.net)

PLAYER 1

PLAYER 2

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): NTRP (check one)

- ☐ Men's 3.0
- ☐ Men's 3.5
- ☐ Men's 4.0
- ☐ Men's 4.5/5.0

- ☐ Women's 2.5/3.0
- ☐ Women's 3.5
- ☐ Women's 4.0
- ☐ Women's 4.5/5.0

Registration Fees (note - if you are interested in joining the Racquet Club, please download a membership form from <http://www.wcrc.net/about/membership.htm> and return it with this application):

- * \$30 per team (both Walnut Creek Racquet Club Members) • \$20 per team for on-line registration
- * \$35 per team (one WCRC Member, one non-member) • \$25 per team for on-line registration
- * \$40 per team (both non WCRC members) • \$30 per team for on-line registration

On-Line Registration will remain open until **March 30, 2018**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **January 31, 2018** with a check for registration fees (payable to Walnut Creek Racquet Club **NOT** WCRC) to: Walnut Creek Racquet Club, 25 Binnacle Hill, Oakland, CA 94618.

Questions? Call Lynne Weinshelbaum at 925-285-9503 or via e-mail lweinshelbaum@yahoo.com

League Information: Players may enter the WCRC Winter Doubles League in more than one division (i.e. 3.0 and 3.5), as long as he/she is playing at or above 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.

The league runs from December 23, 2017 - May 13, 2018. The tournament will run the weekend of May 19, 2018.

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 will be made.**

CALENDER OF EVENTS

2018

Mar

Mar 2-4	USTA 40+ Mixed Sectionals
Mar 5	USTA 65+ Team Season Opens
Mar 5	USTA 18+ Team Registration Closes
Mar 18	USTA 55+ Mixed Season Closes
Mar 23-25	USTA 55+ Mixed Playoffs Round 1

Apr

Apr 1	USTA 40+ Season Closes
Apr 1	USTA 18-39 Team Season Closes
Apr 2	USTA 18+ Team Season Opens
Apr 5-8	USTA 40+ Playoffs Round 1
Apr 6-8	USTA 55+ Playoffs Round 2
Apr 13-15	USTA 55+ Sectionals
Apr 16	USTA 18+ Mixed Team Registration Opens
Apr 19-22	USTA 40+ Playoffs Round 2

May

May 4-6	USTA 40+ Districts
May 18-20	USTA 40+ Sectionals
May 21	USTA 55+ Team Registration Closes
May 21	USTA 18+ Mixed Team Registration Closes
May 25	USTA 65+ Team Season Closes
May 27	USTA 65+ Team Season Closes
May 28-Jun 1	USTA 65+ Team Playoffs Round 1

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tammie Snyder
as of January, 2018



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss Standard January 2018

	Jan '18
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Membership Dues	2,092.47
League Dues	907.06
Total Income	<u>2,999.53</u>
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	15.00
Board Meeting	27.06
District Fees	360.00
Gifts	65.01
Post Office Box	109.00
Rental Deposit	500.00
Sectionals Fees	450.00
Website	109.85
Total Expense	<u>1,635.92</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>1,363.61</u>
Net Income	<u><u>1,363.61</u></u>

Balance as of January, 2018 \$36,553.99

Winter Doubles League - Standings

Men's

3.5	W	L
Barlow/Zakaria	3	0
4.0		
Aguilar/Mastrangelo	3	0
4.5		
Lioz/Barnez	2	0

Women's

3.0	W	L
Akli/Raja	1	0
3.5		
Perez/Cano	1	0
Ivankovich/Kemp	1	0
Petrov/Elawady	1	0
Blackiston/Poppleton	1	0
Charbonneau/Attiyeh	1	0
Kim/Phillips	1	0
Maloney/Boorey	1	0
4.0		
Aneja/Roh	2	0
Bazulina/Thomas	2	0
Hirsberg/Zalewski	2	0