

# THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

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Danny Geren eatches some air serving up in the 9.0 mixed finals at the Mixed Doubles Tournament.

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### THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Glenn McBee 2018 WCRC President

#### **April 2018**

Spring is here! Have you played the required 2 matches to get into the winter doubles tourney? There is still time as the season continues until May 13, with the tournament to follow May 18-20. Summer Singles is ready to

start up too, see info in this newsletter or you can sign up at http://www.wcrc.net/Leagues/Login.aspx.

We also have everyone's favorite, the Calcutta Tournament on May 12, followed by "The Longest Tennis Rally" event on June 16. Look for more info on both of these in future newsletters and emails.

Lots of good things happening with our club!

Congratulations to Combo teams who won at Districts!

Miwon Vella W5.5 won it all.

Cristine Belli W5.5, Krisztina Kohlhaas W6.5 and Sean Barnacascel M8.5 made it to Sectionals! Well done Captains and players!

Changes are happening at our Tennis Center, we are back onto courts 1, 2 & 3 and pickle ball courts are coming in addition to a new instructional court and a new shade structure! Our Tennis center is going to be looking good! Check out the detailed article on page 15.

We bid a farewell to long time club and board member Tammy Chan as she will soon be leaving us and heading north.

And if you don't see it out, it must be in... Be well and we will see you on the courts!

Glenn

Long time board member Tammy Chan at her farewell party.





#### **Welcome to Our 19 New Members Current Membership: 1239**

Kathryn Aguilar	Pleasanton	4.0	Jane Liles	Antioch	4.0
MJ ( Mary Jane) Bedegi	Pleasant Hill	3.5	David Loetz Sr	Moraga	3.5
Jeff Birnbaum	Danville	4.0	Jeff Magidson	Martinez	4.5
Stanley Boehm	Napa	3.0	Cho Murphy	Brentwood	3.0
Tim Fitzgerald	Pittsburg	4.5	Kaari Nilsen	Berkeley	4.5
Glenn Hernandez	Manteca	4.0	Motiejus Reimeris	Walnut Creek	N.A.
Kirk Iliev	Walnut Creek	3.5	Inna Taranchenko	Pleasant Hill	3.5
Karen Kerns	Antioch	3.0	An Tran	San Leandro	3.5
John Kreiter	Walnut Creek	3.0	Alissa Welch	Piedmont	3.5
Allan Lewis	Fairfield	3.5			



Membership questions contact: Pam Maloney at 925-787-3970 or email at: pam4tenis@gmail.com



### **Lifetime Activities** What's Happening at the Courts?

#### Pass Holder's Special: Lifetime Easter Egg Give Away!!!

Beginning the week of April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Court Usage Pass Holders may claim their Easter Egg. Each Easter Egg contains a special prize or treat. One egg per pass holder only, please. Prizes include: free ball machine use, free string labor, free tennis and pickleball clinics, free day passes, free performance racquet demo, free candy, chip, or soda, and free over grips.



**Spring Classes & Summer Camps** Spring Registration is ongoing. Summer Camp registration is now open. You can register and preview offerings online at lifetimeactivities.com or stop by the office.

**Youth Badminton, Table Tennis, and Chess Classes and Camps** Lifetime Activities is offering Youth Indoor Activities classes and Camps at Tice Valley Gym during the summer. Please contact the office for more information.

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**



#### The WCRC is now on Facebook!

Follow us at https://www.facebook.com/WalnutCreekRC/

Here you can find updates on:

**USTA** leagues and teams

WCRC leagues (Winter Doubles, Summer Singles, Fall Mixed)

Other WCRC events (e.g. Calcutta, Mid-Summer Night Tennis)

Come check us out!



WCRC Member Rob Corder actually hit 700 last year and is currently sitting at 715 career matches. Still more wins than losses, thankfully!



#### HOW TO RESERVE A COURT AT THE WALNUT CREEK TENNIS CENTER

Earliest time to reserve a court is 8 days prior at 12:30pm.

Reservations by phone, online, or in person are taken on a first come first served basis by our software provider.

#### **OPTION 1: CALL 925-945-0105**

Please do not call before the designated time period any calls for reservation requests before 12:30pm eight days prior will not be entertained.

#### **OPTION 2: BOOK ONLINE at www.lt.clubautomation.com**

In order to book online, patrons must login through their Lifetime Activities account.

#### How do I know if I have an account?

You may already have an account if you've ever received a service (string job), participated in a program, or purchased a court usage pass at any of our Lifetime Activities locations. Call the office at 925-945-0105 to check if you have an existing account before creating a new account.

#### How do I log into my account?

Go to <u>www.lt.clubautomation.com</u> and enter your login information. If you have an existing account, but have never accessed your online account before, click on "Access My Account" and follow the prompts. If you have accessed your online account before but forgot the password, click "Forgot Your Password?" and follow the prompts.

#### How do I reserve a tennis court?

After logging in to your account, select "Reserve a Court" from the menu on the left. Adjust your filters appropriately and click Ball Machine [NO] and make sure you have the correct date. Select [90min] and click [Search] All the available options will show up.

#### How do I reserve the ball machine court?

After logging in to your account, select "Reserve a Court" from the menu on the left. Adjust your filters appropriate and click Ball Machine [YES] and make sure you have the correct date. Select [45min] and click [Search] All the available options will show up.

#### **OPTION 3: IN PERSON AT THE TENNIS CENTER**

A person may request a reservation by coming to the tennis center front desk at 12:30pm eight days prior.



### **Tennis News**



#### 8.5 Combo Men's "Spartans" Head to Sectionals

Congrats on Sean Barnacasce's Spartan 8.5 combo team for advancing to Sectionals! The journey has been far from easy, but the team proved once again that they were up to the challenge. This band of brothers has been a dream to captain for Sean Barnacascel & Brian Italia. With team-first attitudes & an emphasis on camaraderie, they've overcome great odds to get to Sectionals, and did it the right way. Well done, Spartans, and continued success at Sectionals!!



Photo above, left to right: Kayla Hornbrook, Alex Baier, Matt Kim, Kevin Pfeffinger, Erik Lee, Seth Hendrickson, Colleen Hendrickson, Sean Barnacascel, Jeff Forbes, Danny Geren, Natalie Chan and Cara Mia Barnacascel

This photo was taken during our post finals match, and it was really great of the opposing/Napa team to join us for dinner despite the loss to us in the finals. It speaks to the level of sportsmanship and friendship exhibited by both teams.

Photo at right: Anoop Somanchi, Kevin Pfeffinger, Matt Kim, Sean Barnacascel, Jeff Forbes, Erik Lee, Matt Parry, Dan Pottorff, Kayla Hornbrook, Stefan Serbicki, Natalie Chan, Alex Baier and Danny Geren





# 2018 Men's and Women's Summer Singles Leagues Registration Form



Full Name			Dates:	April 9th - September 16th
Address		Entry Fee:	\$25 for WCRC Members \$35 for non-members	
City Zip		Format:	Men's Singles/Women's Singles	
			Divisions:	Men's 3.0 - 4.5/5.0 Women's 2.5 - 4.5/5.0
Work Phone			Scheduling:	This is an open schedule. Players are responsible for scheduling their own matches. Players will be provided with a contact list of participants
Cell Phone			Match Format	within their division.  Best best two out of three sets. When
Email T-shirt Size O M O L O XL O XXL T-shirt Type O Regular O V-neck* O Tank top*		Without I Office.	opponents agree, a super tiebreaker (10 point) can be used in lieu of the third set. Winner gets unopened can.	
		Match Site:	Any site mutually agreed upon	
*V-neck and tank top in w Current Rating:	<b>Q</b> 2.5	<b>Q</b> 4.5	Scoring:	The winner is responsible for reporting the match score by logging on to www.wcrc.net.
	<ul><li>3.0</li><li>3.5</li><li>4.0</li></ul>	○ 5.0 ○ 5.5	Standings:	Division standing will be updated on a real time basis as scores are posted
I would like to enter the following division:		Tournament:	End-of-season tournament with draw determined by league standings.	
O Women's 2 O Women's 3 O Women's 4 O Women's 4	3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5/5.0	<ul><li>Men's 3.0</li><li>Men's 3.5</li><li>Men's 4.0</li><li>Men's 4.5</li><li>Men's 5.0/5.5</li></ul>		Round of 32: Sept. 24-30 (by arrangement) Round of 16: Oct 1-7 (by arrangement) Quarters: Oct 8-19 (by arrangement) Semi-finals:Oct 20 (onsite as scheduled) Finals Oct 21 (onsite as scheduled) A minimum of 4 players are required to generate a draw.
I am a: O WCRC Member (\$25) O Non-Member (\$35)  If you register on line: O WCRC Member (\$20) O Non-Member (\$30)  Register on-line save \$5		Match Min.: Checks to:		
		Or Online:	www.wcrc.net/Leagues/Signup.aspx	
			Questions:	camcoltharp@gmail.com 510-717-2107

Register on line at www.wcrc.net/leagues/signup.aspx and save \$5.00

# WCRC Fall Mixed Poubles League Tournament



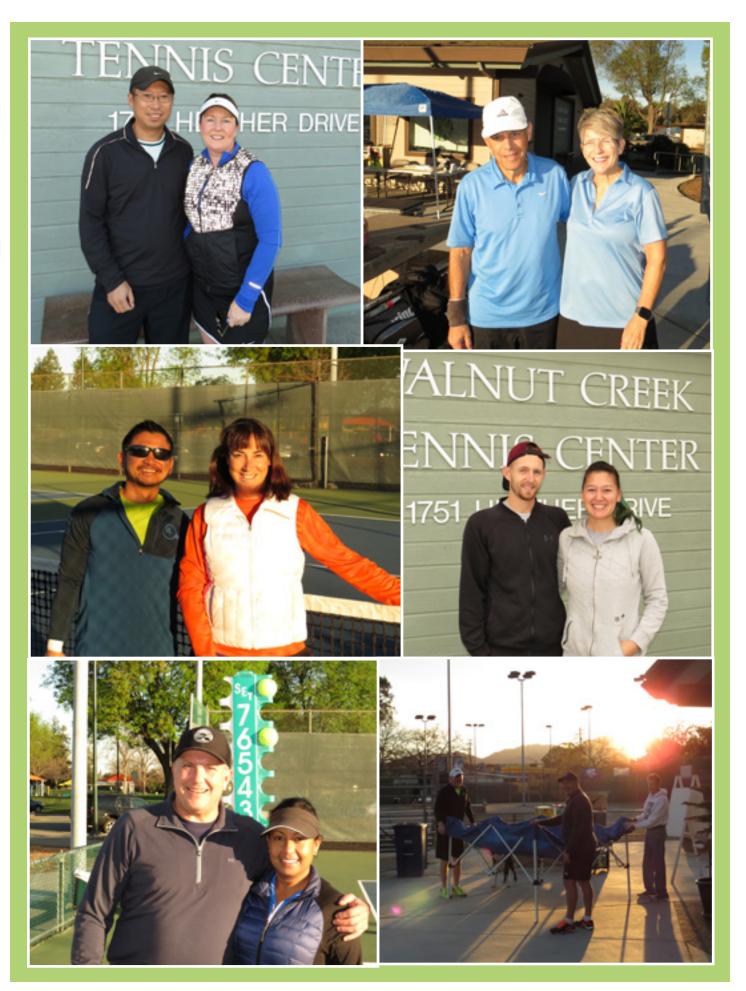






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# WCRC Fall Mixed Poubles League Tournament Winners & Finalists



Vangie Wolford & Leonard Young def. Rosalynd Zahiri & Salem Zahiri 6-1. 6-1



Julie Garrahan & Samson Mai def. Nancy Owens & Garvin Tom 1-6. 6-2. 6-4



Jill Van Slyke & John Vandeveer def.
Violeta Franco & Tal Yahud
7-5 (Retire)



Panny Geren & Natalie Chan def.
Ning Pocena & Sanjay Backliwal
6-2, 7-6 (4)
Panny Geren & Natalie Chan def. Shari
McAneney & Tony Chih 3-6, 6-3, 6-1

# 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





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#### Indian Wells - Matt Kim

Here are some pics of Jeff Forbes and I playing at the Tri-Level National Championships. We literally kicked Jack Sock and John Isner off the courts we had to play on (they moved over a court and practiced next to us while we played)!

I tore my Achilles playing in the match (just jumping up while hitting a serve), so this is the last memory for a while as I'll likely be out for 6 months. But a good memory and awesome experience nonetheless.

The first pic is John Isner and Jack Sock playing on the court next to us.











# CALENDER OF EVENTS



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 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
Mar 25	USTA 65+ Team Season Closes
May 27	USTA 65+ Team Season Closes
May 28-Jun 1	USTA 65+ Team Playoffs Bound 1



Jun 3-8	USTA 65+ Team Playoffs Round 2
Jun 11	USTA 55+ Team Season Opens
Jun 18-20	USTA 65+ Team Sectionals
Jun 24	USTA 18+ Team Season Closes
Jun 25	USTA 18+ Mixed Team Season Opens

# 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 League Dues	
Fall Mixed Doubles Lea Winter Doubles League	330.00 577.06
Total League Dues	907.06
Membership Dues	2,092.47
Total Income	2,999.53
Expense Website Rental Deposit Sectionals Fees Post Office Box Board Meeting Bank Service Charges Gifts District Fees	109.85 500.00 450.00 109.00 27.06 15.00 65.01 360.00
Total Expense	1,635.92
Net Ordinary Income	1,363.61
Net Income	1,363.61
Total Expense	1,635.9 1,363.6

## Winter Doubles League - Standings

Mens			Women's		
3.5 Barlow/Zakaria	3	0	Akli/Raja	2	0
Nguyen/Nguyen Xu/Baldocchi Aguilar/Mastrangelo	3 3 3	0 0 0	Perez/Cano Ivankovich/Kemp Carpenter/Siu Petrov/Elawady Blackiston/Poppleton Charbonneau/Attiyeh Kim/Phillips Maloney/Boorey	1 1 1 1 1 1	0 0 0 0 0 0
Lioz/Barnez	2	0	4.0 Hirsberg/Zalewsi	3	0