



THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

September, 2018

Home of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club



Pam Maloney
having fun at the
Mid-Summer Tournament

Walnut Creek Racquet Club

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

September 2018



Glenn McBee
2018 WCRC President

Well it had to happen; summer is coming to an end. We are fortunate to live in a place where tennis can be played almost all of the time! We may have to add a layer of clothing, not much of a problem. Hope you had a wonderful summer!

Summer singles has been (as always) very popular. Check out the standings and you will see over 50 players in Men's 4.0, seems many leagues are large. Players are racking up lots of matches, one with over 25 matches played between 2 leagues (Nice going Cy!). You have a few more weeks to finish season play and get the 4 matches needed to compete in tourney, league ends on Sept 23rd. Tourney to follow in October.

Now is the time to find a partner for the Fall Mixed season which starts on Sept. 3rd. You can sign up at <http://www.wcrc.net/Leagues/Login.aspx>.

Construction continues at the WCTC. We look forward to the additional tennis court and 2 pickle ball courts, to be completed this fall.

I went up to view the courts at Northgate, and all have been totally rebuilt, painted and lined. They should be ready to play is short order.

Yes, there will be a fee increase to play at HF. Did you know that there has not been a fee increase in 8 years? Seems we are due, still a good deal. New fees start on the first of the year.

"OUR voice counts". If you want to show support at a city meeting, contact me. PROS meet on the 1st Monday of even numbered month. City council meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month, all at City hall at 6pm.

Good luck to those Captains and teams heading to local playoffs in 18+ Mixed and Adult 55+, soo many!

Be well and we will see you on the courts!

Glenn

Mark Bakar	Walnut Creek	4.0	Jean Matuska	Concord	3.0
Amy Bollinger	Walnut Creek	3.5	Kirk Philippou	Walnut Creek	3.0
Norma Brewer	San Anselmo	4.0	Eric Pinkela	San Ramon	4.0
Cortny Christensen	Walnut Creek	3.0	Melvin San Pedro	Walnut Creek	2.5
Aeysha Corio	Concord	3.0	Ryan Smith	Concord	n/a
Maria DeBenedetti	Danville	3.5	Janice Stephens	Lafayette	3.5
Sharleen Houston	Martinez	4.5	Glenn Teixeira	San Francisco	4.5
Scott Judy	Brentwood	4.0	Karen Treppa	Clayton	3.5
Girish Keshavamurthy	Danville	4.0	Clark Walmer	Brentwood	4.0
Gwendal Mahe	Walnut Creek	3.5	Zhen Zhang	Danville	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?

Improvements and Changes at the WCTC

Lifetime Activities is happy to announce that, construction is ongoing on an additional tennis court and two new pickleball courts at our facility. We apologize for any inconveniences construction may cause. Please note that all our existing courts will be functional, but court access may be limited. Estimated completion is October 2018.

With the changing cost of doing business in our community, WC City Council has approved a new fee structure set to be effective Jan 1st, 2019. The changes in the fee structure aim to foster more equitable court access to different users in the community. A chart with more information on this fee change is available on page 14 of this newsletter. For more information, please contact Isabella Galang at isabellag@lifetimeactivities.com.

Fall Classes & Camps Fall class and camp registration is ongoing. Fall session begins September 3rd. We are also offering Holiday Camps for Youth and Adult learners. You can register and preview offerings online on our website: www.lifetimeactivities.com or stop by the office.

Monthly Pass Holder's Special: Court Usage Pass Holders will get FREE STRING LABOR on the second racquet when bringing in two racquets for stringing. String must be purchased at the Pro-Shop and both racquets must be brought in at the same time. Pass Holders are also invited to attend our Annual End of Summer Tennis Luau for FREE on September 28th from 8-10pm.

Want to Play with the Pro?: Our USPTA Certified Pro 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. (\$8.00 Pass Holders, \$16.00 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



55+ 3.5 Women's Team Head to Playoffs!

by Maureen Satcher

When the 55 Season started we thought we had a team that could make it to playoffs and here we go! We finished the season in 2nd place with an outstanding record. This is such a great team with super support from everyone when it comes match time. We always have a crowd to cheer our players on and it's been a big part of the team's success.

We're hoping the depth on the team will take us out of local league play and into Sectionals then hopefully to Nationals. Wish us luck.....go Creek!

Our Amazing Team: Cynthia Attiyeh, Lani Aurelius, Laurie Blackiston, Lynelle Boorey, Lisa Bowers, Cherie Charbonneau, Terri Coleman, Penny Davis, Lynn Deckert, Terri Hernandez, Caryl Kohler, Pam Maloney, Janet Nielsen, Kathy Poppleton, Pru Pruden, Becky Reiss, Terri Stanfield, Sally Van Oosbree, Mary Kay Wilcox.





Tennis News



I am so proud of my 18+ 4.0 Walnut Creek team! We made it to districts and that is a huge accomplishment! We didn't do too bad either! We finished 2-1 just like the team (Sunnyvale) that moved on to sectionals from our division. They were our opponents on the first day of districts and they were tough! We lost 0-5 with 4 lines going to super tiebreaks so the team score did not reflect how close we were to actually beating them! We went on to win as a team on Saturday and Sunday so we finished strong! Sunnyvale won 4-1 on Saturday and lost 1-4 on Sunday but they got the 1 line they needed to move on to sectionals so good for them! It was an honor to captain this team along with my co-captain Lee Ann Gove. We had a great season and a strong post season. Let's do it again next year! Cheers! Sally McKay

Team Roster for Districts: Elinor Axup, Deanna Fong, Lee Ann Gove, Donna Himenez, Katie Mannion, Sally McKay, Thuy Nguyen, Karen Nishikawa, Nancy O'Neil, Pam Palitz, Karen Pearson, Becky Reiss, Casey Sasner, Jennifer Scriabine, Vanessa Sturla, Lisa Warren, Nancy Wilson.

Honory members: Jodie Dowling, Stephanie Law, Laurie Lenhart, Akiko Mitchell.



Districts





Tennis News



WC Men's 4.5 C - Success at Districts and Celebrating at Sectionals

Walnut Creek 4.5 MC ends the 2018 Adult season with a great run at Sectionals. After winning 3-2, 5-0, and 5-0 at Districts in Sacramento, the team was all fired up to compete in Carmel. On Day 1, the team fought hard but unfortunately lost three 10-point tiebreaks and eventually the match to Fig Garden 1-4. The next day, the boys were the opposite of discouraged and pulled out a dominating 5-0 win over Bay Club Santa Clara. On the third day, Walnut Creek faced Bay Club Ross Valley and great tennis was played all around. It was an extremely close match but unfortunately, we came up just short in both 10 pointers, losing the match 2-3. Nonetheless, it has been a fun season with a great group of guys. Looking forward to kicking butt (and winning 10-pt Tiebreakers) next year!

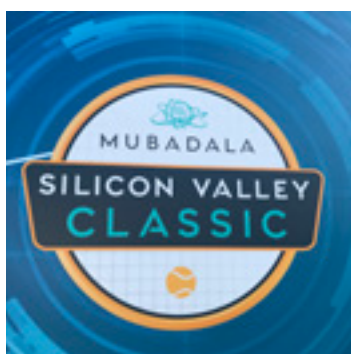
Team Members: Boris Bindman, Sebastien Boifort, Tony Chih, Ben Feinberg, Elliot Feinberg, Greg Fox, Andrew Hinton, Paul Kramer, Garrett Krueger, Cam Larner, Nafeh Malik, George Maniya, Ryan Meganck, Matt Panuwat, Dan Pottorff, Jon Toney, Andrew Wachner, Mike Yurkus, Carlos Carbajal (Captain), Isabella Galang (Co-Captain).



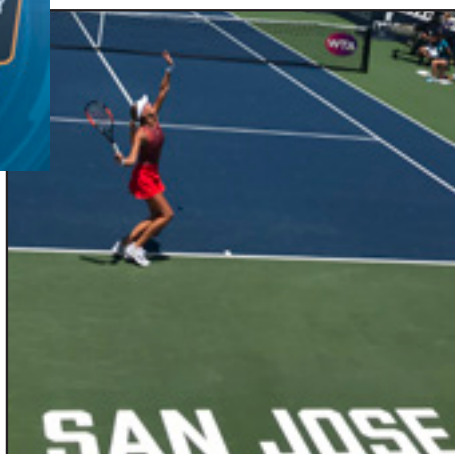
Dear friends - Thanks to the solid support of WCRC and NorCal USTA NetGeneration, the Girls Tennis team of Mount Diablo High School was able to have a full day of activities at the WTA Mubadala Silicon Valley Classic. The girls had the chance to hit some strokes versus the 29th ranked player in the world Shuai Zhang!

We invite you all to come and support our team during the Diablo Valley league Fall season that will have our first home match vs Alhambra HS on 9/6 at 3:30 pm.

See you at the courts! David



**MORE MUBADALA
PHOTOS...**





In Loving Memory

It is with a very heavy heart that I deliver the sad news of Tho “Just Win” Nguyen’s passing Monday, August 6th. Tho (pronounced Ta) had been battling cancer for the past 5 years, and asked to keep his fight private. Which may cause the news of his passing to be a shock, as throughout his battle Tho continued to play top caliber tennis at Walnut Creek, San Ramon/Danville, San Lorenzo, Pleasanton and Lafayette.

Tho looked to be in model

health — literally as he looked like a statue or a male model at the beginning of the year. He kept himself in top-top shape, and as a result each of the past 5 years Tho was able to stem the tide & fight the cancer back into remission.



However this year it took over his liver & things unfortunately progressed from there. Tho was gone too soon at just 51 years of age.

On behalf the Nguyen family,

We would like to extend our gratitude for your attendance at Tho’s life celebration. Your presence helped fill the room with positive energy during this time of grief. The fond memories that you share of and with Tho will remain in our hearts. We are eternally grateful for all your support towards our family during this difficult time.



Lorrie, Tho’s wife, sent the following & asked me to forward the info to all of Tho’s teams. Thank you to those who attended, as the tennis crowd was impressively large! For those who were not able to attend, rest assured that a group of us were there to represent the WCRC to honor our fallen Brother. We extended our deepest condolences on the WC tennis community’s behalf in a speech delivered by all of us.



Saturday September 8th Ping Pong Tournament

Singles and Mixed Doubles (Optional)

Lloyd Hohenstein has graciously agreed to host a qualifying group 1-3pm and the Finals 3-5pm or so in his garage again this year.

Steve Buchholz will host a qualifying group at my house from 1-3pm.

We need two others to volunteer to host a qualifying group at their houses from 1-3pm or so.

We previously had between 6-8 players at each of the four qualifying sites.

If you are interested in playing email Steve Buchholz at SteveB@hellermanus.com or text him at 415-652-4154. You will get assigned your qualifying starting location a week before the Tournament.

If you have a mixed double partner – fine, if not let me know and we will try and match you up.

Event is on the 8th – sign up now.

SteveB@hellermanus.com

415-652-4154

A promotional poster for the North Bay Healthcare Men's Pro Championship. The background is a large image of tennis player Mackenzie McDonald in a blue and white striped shirt, blue cap, and white wristband, captured in a dynamic pose as if hitting a backhand shot. The text on the poster includes:
North Bay HEALTHCARE
at Solano College
MEN'S PRO CHAMPIONSHIP
\$100,000
Mackenzie McDonald
2017 Champion
Who's Next?
follow us and find out
FairfieldProTennis.com
Social media icons for Facebook and Twitter, and a logo for Fairfield Challenger & CCTEP.
Event details: USTA Appreciation Day, Fast Serve Booth, Kids Day & more.
Location: SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE, 4000 SUISUN VALLEY RD, FAIRFIELD, CA.
Dates: Oct 6-14, 2018.
Past Contenders list: Denis Shapovalov, Frances Tiafoe, Maximilian Marterer, Ryan Harrison, Tennys Sandgren, Jared Donaldson, Taylor Fritz, Cameron Norrie, Denis Kudla, Bradley Klahn, Michael Mmoh, Ruben Bemelmans, Felix Auger-Aliassime, Quentin Halys, Noah Rubin, Kelly Opelka, Bjorn Fratangelo, Jay Clarke, Dustin Brown, Liam Broady, JP Smith, Tommy Paul.
2017 Doubles Champions: Luke Bambridge / David O'Hare.
Logos at the bottom include USTA Pro Circuit, Eve Zimmerman Sports Foundation, CHALLENGER TOUR, SOLANO, CCTEP, and Fairfield.

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.

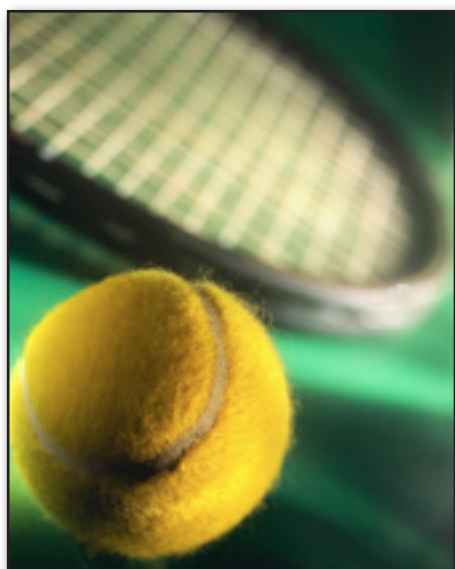
☐ Mixed 6.0

☐ Mixed 7.0

☐ Mixed 8.0

☐ Mixed 9.0

On-Line Registration will remain open until **January 11, 2019**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **January 4, 2019** with a check for registration fees (payable to Walnut Creek Racquet Club **NOT** WCRC) mail 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.

WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles League

Registration Form (Also on-line at www.wcrc.net)

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. As a trial, last year the 2017 Fall Mixed league and tournament were run independently. This year, teams must qualify for the tournament by playing matches during the league season.

LEAGUE COMMISSIONER Nicole Leong: 407.243.8645

DATES September 3, 2018 – February 3, 2019

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, must play full third set not 10-point tiebreaker. 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 8–10, 2019 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.





A USTA & ITF Pro Circuit Event



Central Coast Pro Tennis Open

\$60,000 USTA Women's Pro Circuit Tournament
at Templeton Tennis Ranch



September 23rd through 30th, 2018

- The only professional tennis tournament to take place in San Luis Obispo County.
- 80-up-and coming professional players from around the world.
- Players are ranked approximately #75 to #300 in the world.
- 32 singles players Qualifying and 32 singles and 16 doubles teams in Main Draw.
- A total of 74 matches will be played over eight days.

Tickets: Qualifying and Main Draw Rounds (Sun-Thurs) - \$8/day
Semi-Final & Final Rounds (Fri-Sun) - \$15/day
Full Week Pass (all rounds) - \$60

TTR members 50% off. Children 12 and under are *FREE!*

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018
11AM- 5PM**

Civic Park Walnut Creek



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Traditional Folk Dance & Music
Hungarian Food & Pastries
Hungarian Wine Tasting
Art Exhibits
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COURT USAGE FEE STRUCTURE Effective January 1, 2019	90-Minute Court Fee (Non-Passholder)	4-Month Seasonal Pass	Youth Annual Pass	Senior Annual Standard Pass	Senior Annual PLUS Pass	Adult Annual Standard Pass	Adult Annual PLUS Pass	Advanced Reservation Fee (Non-Passholder)
FEE	\$ 5	\$100	\$120	\$200	\$275	\$250	\$325	\$12
VALIDITY / DURATION	90 Minutes	4 Months	1 year	1 year	1 year	1 year	1 year	1 event / match
AGE GROUP	All Ages	All Ages	15 & Under ¹	60 & Over ¹	60 & Over ¹	Ages 16-59	Ages 16-59	All Ages
Tennis OPEN PLAY (Reservations made 8 days or less / Walk Ons)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
EVENT / ADVANCED RESERVATIONS (Made 9+ days ahead)	✗	\$4 fee per event*	\$4 fee per event*	\$4 fee per event*	✓	\$4 fee per event*	✓	✓
USTA League Home Matches	✗	\$4 fee per match*	\$4 fee per match*	\$4 fee per match*	✓	\$4 fee per match*	✓	✓
BALL/ FALL / SPRING League Home Matches	✗	\$4 fee per match*	\$4 fee per match*	\$4 fee per match*	✓	\$4 fee per match*	✓	✓
Official WCRC Events and Tournaments	✗	\$4 fee per event*	\$4 fee per event*	\$4 fee per event*	✓	\$4 fee per event*	✓	✓
Access to LT Monthly Pass Specials	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Discounted LT Round Robin Clinics	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Pickleball² Recreational Open Play	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗

* Patrons may put a credit on their account to cover Advanced Reservation fees

¹ A valid ID is required for Youth / Senior Discount. Must be of required age at time of purchase. No prorations / exceptions will be made.

² Estimated Pickleball Construction is Fall 2018

Note: All current passes (Annual R/NR and 4-Month R/NR) will be honored until the date of pass expiration.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

2018

Sept

Sep 2	USTA 55+ Team Season Closes
Sep 16	USTA 18+ Mixed Team Season Closes
Sep 17	USTA Combo & 40+ MX Season Opens
Sep 21-23	USTA 55+ Team Sectionals
Sep 28-30	USTA 18+ Mixed Playoffs Round 1

Oct

Oct 5-7	USTA 18+ Mixed Playoffs Round 2
Oct 12-14	USTA 18+ Mixed Sectionals
Oct TBA	USTA 40+ Nationals
Oct TBA	USTA 18+ Nationals

Nov

Nov RBA	USTA 18+ Mixed Nationals
Nov 13	USTA Mixed 55+ Team Registration Opens

Dec

Dec 10	USTA Mixed 55+ Team Registration Closes
Dec 16	USTA Combo Team Season Closes

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cara Mia Barnacascel
as of July, 2018



Walnut Creek Racquet Club

PROFIT AND LOSS

January - June, 2018

	TOTAL
Income	
League Dues	6,974.38
Membership Dues	15,994.37
Tournament Dues	4,948.80
Total Income	\$27,917.55
GROSS PROFIT	\$27,917.55
Expenses	
Bank Service Charges	-15.00
Board Appreciation Dinner	668.04
Board Meeting	469.88
Captains Meetings	476.74
Contributions	200.00
District Fees	1,620.00
Dues and Subscriptions	40.00
Filling Fees	45.00
Gifts	247.71
League Expenses	5,590.32
Locks	21.64
Office Supplies	58.43
Porta-Potty	801.97
Post Office Box	109.00
Postage and Delivery	181.48
Printing and Reproduction	323.12
Professional Fees	50.00
Rental Deposit	700.00
Sectionals Fees	1,170.00
Software	215.00
Tournament Expenses	7,765.61
Website	439.70
Total Expenses	\$21,178.64
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$6,738.91
Other Income	
Interest Income	29.08
Total Other Income	\$29.08
NET OTHER INCOME	\$29.08
NET INCOME	\$6,767.99

Balance as of July, 2018 **\$41,958.37**



Long time WCRC member Rob Corder recently won the City of Walnut Creek's recycling contest.

About 15 years ago he did low-fire ceramic tile portrait of Eugene O'Neill for a garbage can outside of Trader Joe's, Danville. http://www.robcorner.com/life2_img5.html

This time, some pop art silhouetted cans and bottles ascending into the clouds, one depicted as the Christian martyr, St. Sebastian.



Summer Singles League - Standings

Men's

	3.0	W	L
Cy Lucas		7	0
	3.5		
Doug Tambling		15	1
	4.0		
Rowan Semilla		11	0
	4.5		
Steve Dell'anno		6	0

Women's

	3.0	W	L
Marilyn Meganck		7	1
	3.5		
Cassie Kim		6	0
	4.0		
Caren Doyle		6	1