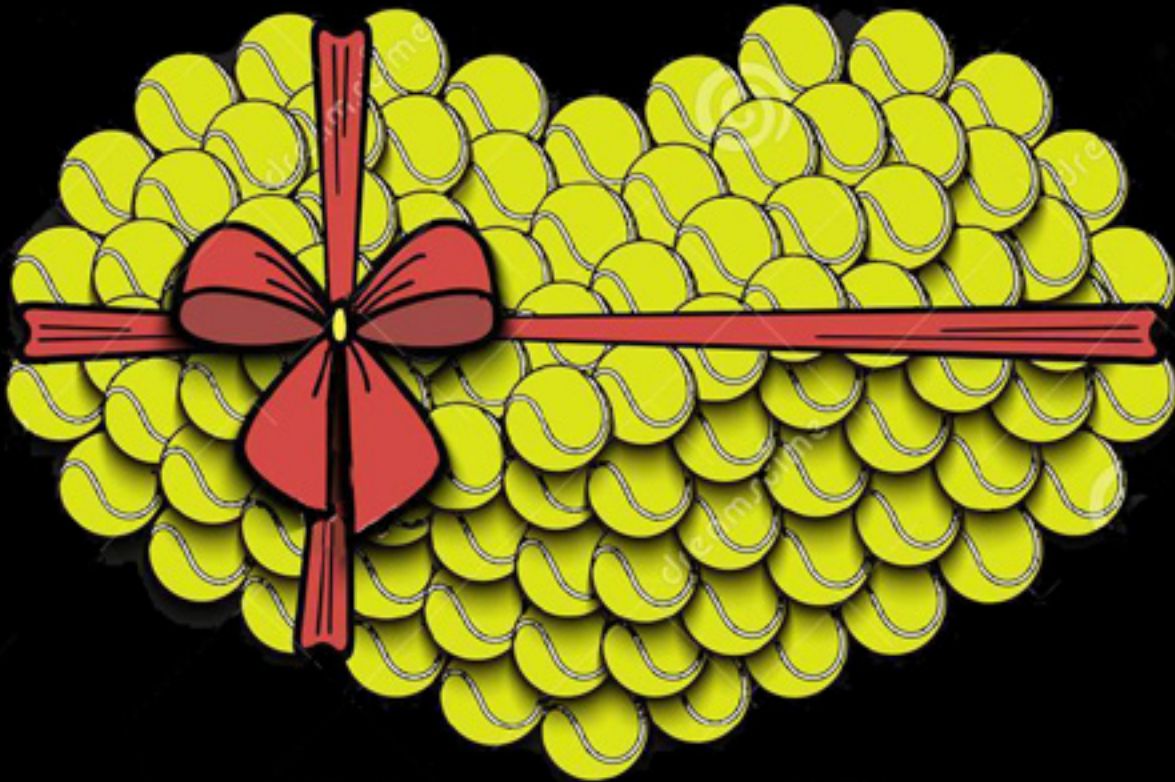


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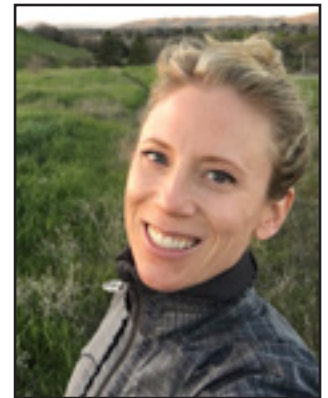
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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy February WCRC Members!

This is our first newsletter celebrating all of our tennis friends who met their significant others through tennis.



Sally Krapf
2020 WCRC President

Thank you for all of your submissions and we hope you enjoy this feature as much as we do!

This month we have the annual WCRC Mixed Doubles Tournament the weekend of February 7th-9th. Tournament weekends are always so much fun so even if you're not playing come out to watch and mingle with other WCRC members. On a side note, Bobby Walgren, our tournament desk extraordinaire will be undergoing radiation for a recurrence of throat cancer this month. Bobby we wish you the best!

Congratulations to all of the USTA Combo Teams who made it to Districts; good luck to all!

Women 6.5B – Elliot Feinberg

Women 7.5A – Tammie Snyder

Women 7.5C – Lisa Italia

Men 6.5C – Patrick Forden

Men 7.5B – Patrick Forden

18-45 Singles Womens 3.5A – Nicole Leong
(at Championships)

See you on the courts!

Sally Krapf

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Our **10 New Members**
Current Membership: **1198**

Barbara Dyer	Concord	3.0
John Gwynn	Concord	3.5
Karen Kerns	Antioch	3.0
Jami Kim-Rowley	Lafayette	3.0
Anne Maza	Walnut Creek	N/A
Christine Miller	Danville	3.5
Jill Owens	Lafayette	3.5
Traci Rabiejo	Danville	3.5
Casey Sasner	Lafayette	4.0
Billie Wenter	Danville	4.0



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



Lifetime Activities

What's Happening at the Courts?

Happy New Year to all our Patrons and Community Members!

Classes & Camps – Sign up today! Class and camp registration is ongoing. We are also offering Holiday and Spring Break Camps for Youth. You can register and preview offerings online on our website: www.lifetimeactivities.com or stop by the office.

Monthly Pass Special: Spin for Love! All Court Usage Pass Holders may stop by the pro shop and SPIN TO WIN one of four prizes. Prizes must be redeemed by March 1st, 2020. There will be no extension or exceptions. One spin / prize per pass holder please. All passholders are also invited to attend the Valentine's Day Round Robin for FREE (and bring a +1 at a discounted rate of \$8). See you there!



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. (\$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.



Lifetime Activities

Rich & Chris Overby



Rich & Chris Overby met in 2013 at a Pleasant Hill tennis club BBQ. They got married August 20, 2016



Rob & Tammie



Rob Corder is a serious, serial monogamist, but he's had a tennis wife for 13 years, Tammie Prochazka. They have played in 62 mixed matches (since 2006) and have won at least half of them! They are neighbors (is how they met).



Elliot & Isabella Feinberg

👋 7/17/14
 💕 7/24/15
 💍 12/8/17
 🏰 10/19/19



Bret Jones and Terri Hernandez meet on a mixed doubles team at Heather Farms back in 1999.

They started dating that year while playing together on the team. The following year they began captaining mixed teams together while they dated for several more years.

Then in October of 2005 Bret & Terri were married in Walnut Creek with many WCRC members in attendance.

They continue playing on USTA teams out of Heather Farms today.

It's been 20 years of tennis, friendship and love that all started with tennis at Heather Farms.

Bret Jones & Terri Hernandez





Shari & Jesse Gonzalez

Jesse and I met on Court 4 during the Winter Doubles tournament - April 6th, 2002.

We got married on February 15th, 2004 with some of our good tennis friends in attendance.

After several trips to tournaments around the world including Australia, New York, Indian Wells and Miami we finally settled down in 2010 and Drew joined our family.

Here's a recent picture of us at the mountains enjoying some time off the courts.

Robert & Meredith Young



We first met at a tennis singles event the week before Meredith started graduate school. I kept hoping she would show up again, but she was too busy with school. When Meredith finally returned 5 months later I didn't know she was hoping to see me as well. I made sure we were sent to the same court and we have been together ever since.

In November we celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary and still enjoy playing tennis together.

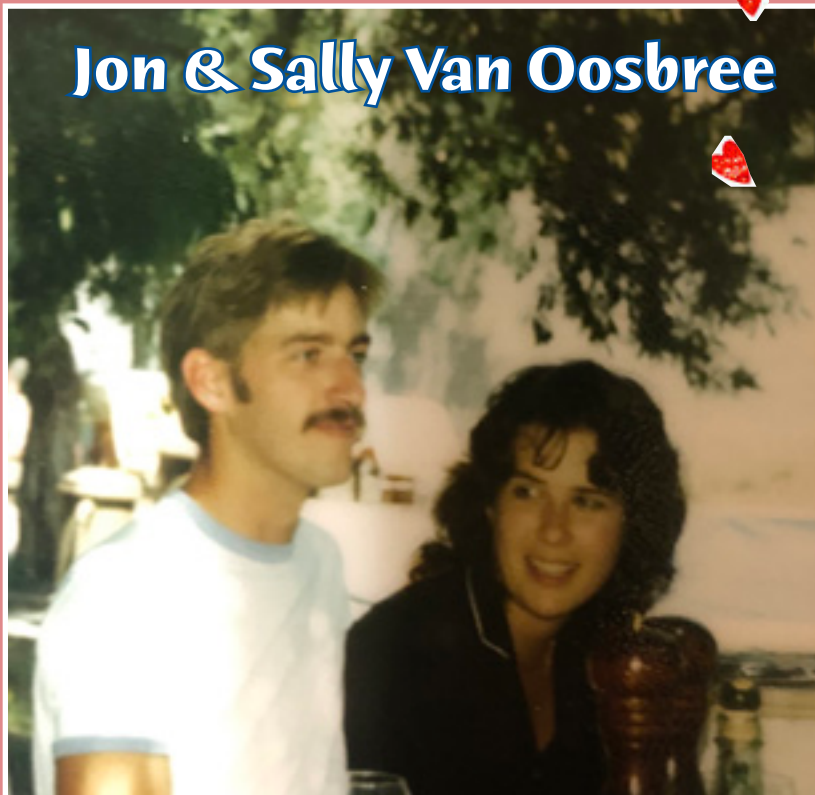


Pat & Darcy Beauchemin



Pat and I met in 2003-set up as partners by Shari Gonzalez and Heidi Belton on their 8.0 team when he was a 4.0 and I was a 3.5 at HF.

Jon & Sally Van Oosbree



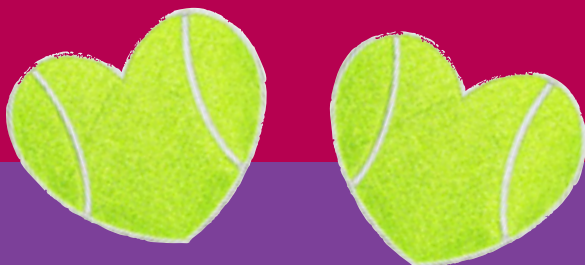
Jon and I played tennis on our first date in June of 1978. I told him that I knew how to play. It was an exaggeration but I wanted him to ask me out.

Becca Perez & Jennifer Cano

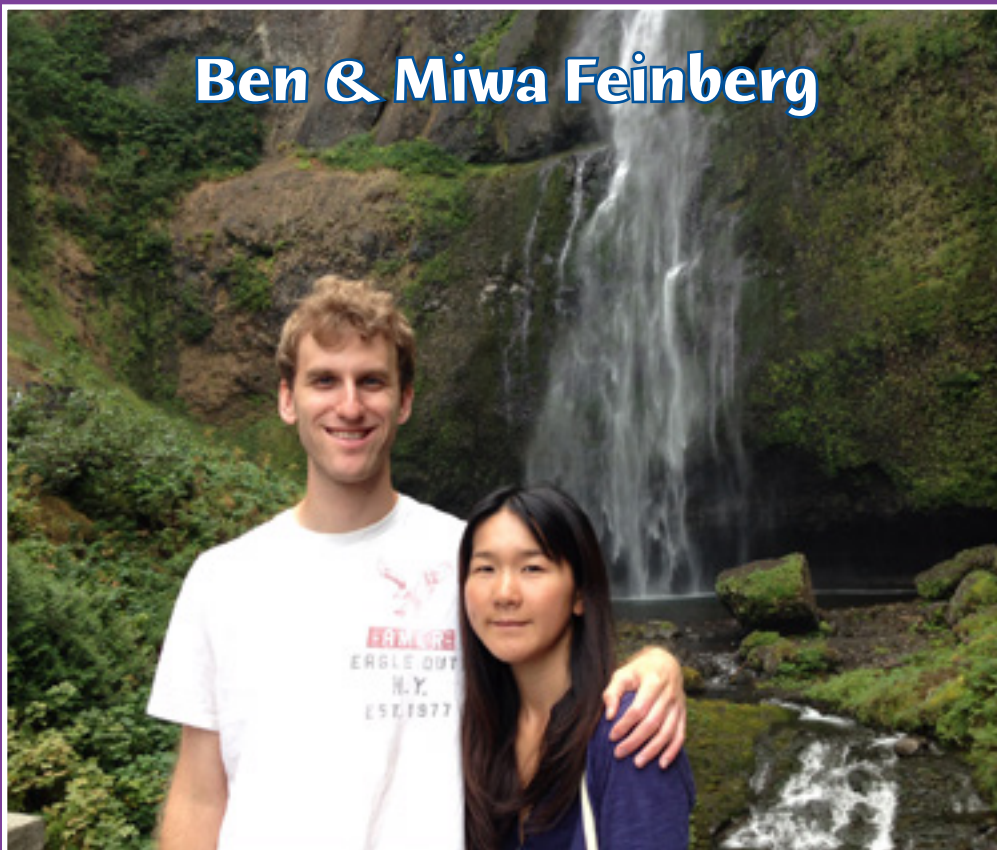
Becca and Jenn, aka Team BJ.
Met in 2010.

From partners on the court, to
partners in crime, to partners in life..

We are forever grateful to the game
and all the friends it has brought into
our lives.



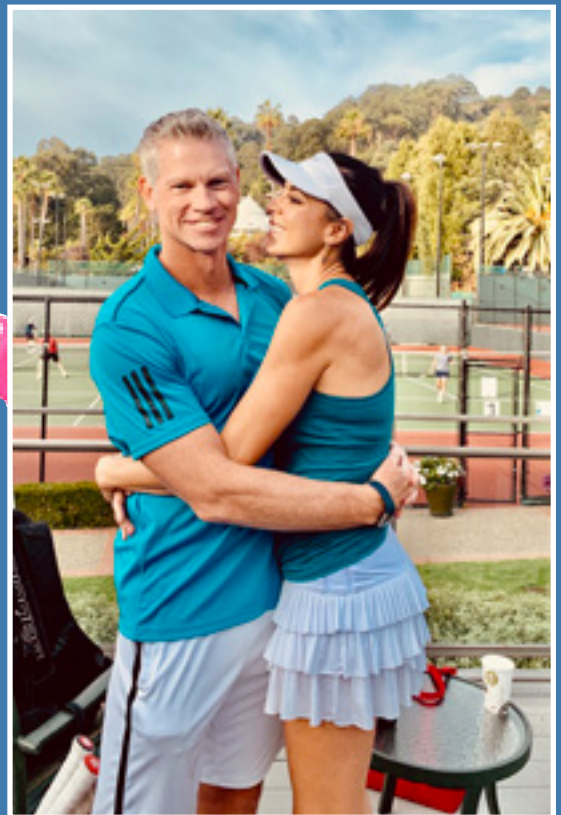
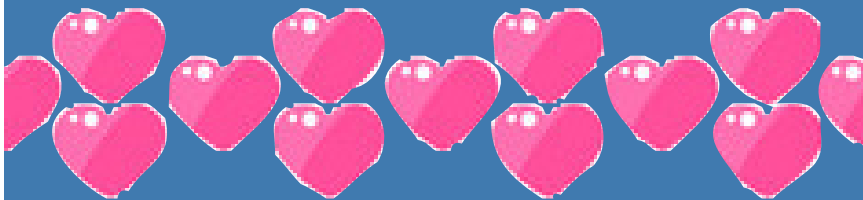
Ben & Miwa Feinberg



We've known each other since 2004,
but we started dating after Ben
started to play tennis with me and
my beginner friends followed by dinner
at a Japanese restaurant every
Tuesday night.

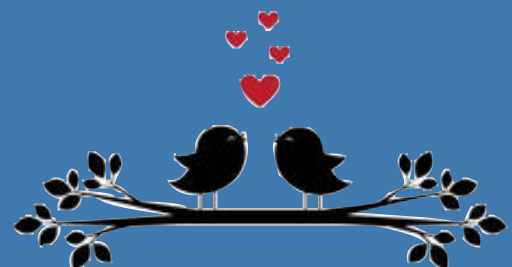
We are now
married with two
daughters.

Matt Matrisian & Martha Spanos



Matt and I met in August 2018 when I showed up to play my first 8.0 match at Oakhurst. Garvin Tom and Martha played line 1 against Matt and Ana Larner, and won in two sets.

It was love at first hit! He accidentally hit me with the ball in the stomach during serve warm up! Tennis Cupid.



WCRC Men's & Women's 2020 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):

- * \$50 per team (both Walnut Creek Racquet Club Members) • \$40 per team for on-line registration
- * \$60 per team (one WCRC Member, one non-member) • \$50 per team for on-line registration
- * \$70 per team (both non WCRC members) • \$60 per team for on-line registration

On-Line Registration will remain open until **April 30, 2020**. If you would like to register by mail, return this form by **April 30, 2020** with a check for registration fees (payable to Walnut Creek Racquet Club **NOT** WCRC) to: Walnut Creek Racquet Club, 224 Farm Ln., Martinez, CA 94553.

Questions? Call Garvin Tom at (209) 969-5445 or via e-mail gtom12@hotmail.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 January 1, 2020 - May 22, 2020. The tournament will run the weekend of May 29-31, 2020.

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.**

Robert Young

Mom's Rules Were Simple (When It Came To Tennis)

Interview and article by Lynne Weinshelbaum.

As an effort to get to know our membership the Board has decided to start a new monthly column "Member Spotlight". We will be interviewing WCRC members and getting to know them. This article will help us find out how they got introduced to tennis, their background, any favorite memories, etc. We hope you enjoy this new commentary.

Robert Young has been printing the WCRC Newsletter for the past 24 years. He inherited boxes of old newsletters which had been manually put together in a cut and paste format. What an archive for a history buff to plough through!

Robert was born in San Francisco and raised in Daly City (at the top of the hill). He has 4 sisters and attended Jefferson High School where he competed in track & field and cross country. He went to the College of San Mateo and majored in forestry and PE. Being smitten in 1967 by the "summer of love" in San Francisco Robert dropped out of college and was promptly drafted into the Army. Robert spent 21 months in Vietnam as a helicopter crew chief before being injured. He spent 3 months in the hospital and was discharged in 1972.

As part of his recuperation, Robert's mother took him out to the tennis courts and taught him how to play. She had two very simple rules – always bring a new can of balls and always shut the gate behind you. We can all appreciate those two rules.

Before beginning his career in printing, Robert (deserving of an extended vacation) bought a van and traveled around the US and Canada. Upon returning he got a printing job in So. San Francisco and married in 1974. Robert moved to the East Bay in 1977, was divorced and then remarried in 1989. He started his own printing business (Diablo Digital Printing) in 2008.

Robert began playing at Willow Pass Park and also played USTA tournaments. Subsequently he began playing on a number of teams out of Heather Farm in 1978. After suffering an injury he had his shoulder replaced in 2007 and began a 2 year recovery. Having been told by the doctors that he would not be able to play tennis again Robert switched from playing lefty to playing righty (try doing that!). Although it took him 2 years and great determination, Robert prevailed. After recovery and carrying a 3.0 rating Robert and his team out of Pleasant Hill went to Nationals in Tucson Arizona. His wife, Meredith, was on a team that also went to Nationals which were held at Indian Wells.

Robert was on the WCRC Board as VP to Kent Linderman and then became President and was instrumental in the effort to incorporate the club. He was also on the Norcal USTA League committee for 12 years and wrote the rule which allows the home team to decide whether or not to play a 3rd set tiebreak. Robert also won the Calcutta one year.

Having yet another injury, Robert had neck surgery and went through a very difficult 2 year recovery where he had to learn how to walk again. But, through determination and personal will power Robert is still going strong! Keep it up Robert!



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CALENDER OF EVENTS

2020

Feb

Feb 2	WCRC Fall Mixed League Closes
Feb 3	USTA 18+ Team Registration Opens
Feb 7-9	WCRC Fall Mixed Tournament
Feb 10	USTA 65+ Team Registration Closes
Feb 14-16	USTA 40+ Mixed Playoffs Round 2
Feb 21-23	USTA Combo Districts

Mar

Mar 2	USTA 65+ Season Opens
Mar 2	USTA 18+ Team Registration Closes
Mar 6-8	USTA 40+ Mixed Districts/Sectionals
Mar 15	USTA 18-39 Coed Season Closes
Mar 15-17	USTA Combo Sectionals
Mar 22	USTA 55+ Mixed Season Closes
Mar 26-29	USTA 18-39 Coed Playoffs

Apr

Apr 2-5	USTA 55+ Mixed Playoffs
Apr 5	USTA 40+ Season Closes
Apr 6	USTA 18+ Season Opens
Apr 10-12	USTA 55+ Sectional/Nationals
Apr 13	USTA 55+ Team Registration Opens
Apr 13	USTA 18+ Mixed Team Registration Opens
Apr 16-19	USTA 40+ Playoffs Round 1
Apr 22	WCRC Summer Singles League Opens
Apr 23-26	USTA 40+ Playoffs Round 2

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cara Mia Barnacascel
as of December, 2019



Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit and Loss January - December 2019

	Total
Income	
Advertising Income	237.42
League Dues	9,012.81
Membership Dues	25,066.98
Tournament Dues	7,639.94
Total Income	\$ 41,957.15
Gross Profit	\$ 41,957.15
Expenses	
Bank Service Charges	4.00
Board Appreciation Dinner	873.47
Board Meeting	949.35
Captains Meetings	1,247.51
Contributions	200.00
District Fees	2,700.00
Equipment	96.90
Filling Fees	25.00
Fixed Asset	4.65
Gifts	406.89
Interest Expense	12.32
League Expenses	8,236.86
Office Supplies	461.20
Post Office Box	122.00
Postage and Delivery	16.45
President's Gift	104.95
Printing and Reproduction	464.81
Professional Fees	52.51
Sectionals Fees	1,590.00
Supplies	96.60
Tournament Expenses	10,433.31
Website	9,619.40
Total Expenses	\$ 37,718.18
Net Operating Income	\$ 4,238.97
Other Income	885.01
Net Other Income	\$ 885.01
Net Income	\$ 5,123.98

Balance as of December, 2019 \$45,994.65

65+ Players Needed

Are you at least 65 years old and want to play on a men's 65+ 7.0 daytime tennis team out of the WCRC?

If interested, please contact Reid Cooper at reidcooper@sbcglobal.net. This team runs from March 3rd through May 8th and then playoffs etc.

Any men who will be 65 years old this year or older and rated 3.0-4.0 are eligible to play. Matches are held weekdays during the day only. Please respond ASAP to be considered for team as we expect it to fill up fast.



Photo by
Heidi Belton

Krisztina Kohlhaas braving the cold with her pup Davey watching excellent combo playoff matches!

Mixed Doubles League - Standings

6.0

Pamela Owens/Jimmy Huang

W

L

3

0

7.0

Johanna Huck/Matt Hedges

3

0

8.0

Kathleen Pru Pruden/Thomas Lyhne
Julianne Gee/Darien Lum

5

2

5

2

9.0

No matches played yet

**Mixed
Doubles
Tournament
Feb 7-9**

**Be sure to set your
Tournament Status
accordingly**