



THE COURT REPORTER

Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club

January, 2021

Good Bye

2020

Hello

2021

Walnut Creek Racquet Club

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy January!

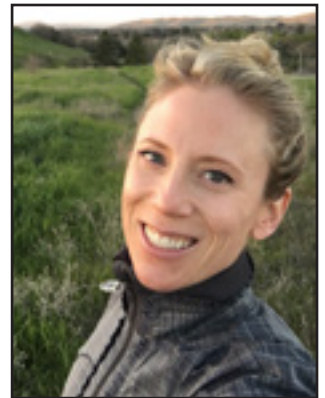
Not much news to report especially since there isn't any USTA going on at the moment or honestly in the foreseeable future.

But if you are itching to play some singles tennis the WCRC has opened up our new WING League. (W)inter and spr(ING)g singles. It's a way to keep us playing and competitive until USTA gets going again.

You can sign up on line or check out page 6 for details. There are already 45 men and 28 women signed up!

Here's hoping that 2021 will bring in some health and happiness for all!

Sally Krapf



Sally Krapf
2020 WCRC President



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

Welcome to Our 8 New Members
Current Membership: 1255

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|--------------------|---------------|-----|
| Conrad Corbett | San Francisco | 3.5 |
| Renee Gregg | Walnut Creek | N/A |
| Steve Lhi | Lafayette | 4.5 |
| Chris Maginn | Walnut Creek | 3.5 |
| Amaresh Manthana | San Ramon | 3.5 |
| Siobhan Murphy | Concord | 2.5 |
| Greg Snyder | Walnut Creek | 3.0 |
| William Strohmeyer | Walnut Creek | 3.0 |



Lifetime Activities

What's Happening at the Courts?

NEW OPERATING HOURS AT WCTC. 11/2/20-3/14/21)

Monday – Friday: 9am-12:30pm, 2:30-9pm (closed 12:30-2:30pm)

Saturday & Sunday: 8am-5pm

Universal Tennis Rating (UTR)

Starting in 2021, Lifetime Activities has partnered with UTR to bring a more dynamic rating system to our lessons and to our players. For more information on what UTR is and how its calculated please visit their website at www.myutr.com/.

HEAD/Penn - Lifetime Activities is excited to announce it has started a new partnership with HEAD/Penn. We will now be selling ProPenn Marathon balls, and will no longer be selling the Wilson U.S. Open extra duty balls here in the pro shop.

Coming soon New HEAD performance racquets, strings, and accessories to be sold in the WCTC Pro shop.

SwingVision - New on all our courts at Heather Farms are SwingVision mounts! Download the App today and take your game to the next level! Link: <https://swing.tennis/>

County Doubles Restriction - We will continue to monitor county guidelines as they come out, but at this time **all Walnut Creek tennis courts are singles only for Tennis and Pickleball**. We continue to advocate for the return of doubles play to our community and will keep you informed of any new information as it becomes available.

Youth and Adult WINTER Classes - Spots are filling up quickly for our Winter Session 1 & 2 classes! To look at the current schedule and to register please visit our website at www.Lifetimeactivities.com.

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

Member Spotlight

Janet Neilsen You Play Football? Then You're Hired!

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.

Janet Neilsen was born in San Francisco and spent her early years in the Richmond District. She is a 3rd generation San Franciscan with family origins dating back to the 1860's. Her love of sports started early and she spent most of her free time down at the local playgrounds. The Helen Wills playground was one of her favorites where she played ping pong, basketball, tennis, football as well as other sports. The playground had a tennis court that you had to set up yourself by putting in the end posts and unrolling the heavy metal net; you had to be in shape to play tennis there! Janet bought a used wood racquet for \$2.98 and used white tennis balls for 10 cents each and thus began her tennis career.



Janet graduated from Galileo High School and got a job as a secretary. After a couple years, she applied for a job at the Underwriter's Salvage Company of New York. Janet filled out the job application with the usual information and on the back she responded to the question about hobbies by listing all the sports she played. The gentleman that interviewed her read over her application and after turning it over asked her if she really did play football. Janet responded 'yes' and he responded 'you're hired'! As it turned out he was an All American halfback that played at USC and also in the pros by the name of Bill Howard.



After marrying, Janet moved to Piedmont where the family lived for 12 years. She has a son (Eric) and a daughter (Diane). After a few years Janet began playing tennis socially on the local courts. She was a good singles player so games were easy to set up. The family moved to Alamo in 1972 and joined the Round Hill Country Club. Janet played mostly singles on leagues and the ladder at Round Hill until 1982.

Janet is an enthusiastic snow skier and at age 22 she joined the San Francisco Vikings Ski Club. She has skied in Colorado, Utah, Canada, Idaho, Austria and California and celebrated her 80th birthday by skiing in Colorado. One of the many

highlights of her life was attending the 1960 Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley. She was lucky enough to have been given a ticket to the USA vs USSR hockey match which the US won. Janet is quick to point out that the US hockey team won gold for the first time at Squaw Valley (no, Lake Placid may have been the 'miracle on ice' but was not the first time the US won gold in hockey).

In 1979 Janet began working for the IBEW in San Jose and stayed with them for 20 years. There was lots of work in those days for electricians as the Silicon Valley boon was just beginning. Unfortunately it left little time for tennis although she was able to squeeze in some social tennis on the weekends. After retiring Janet began to play more and participated in USTA and league tennis.

Janet has captained BALL, Spring League and USTA teams for the past 20 years and is anxious to get back to captaining and playing (as we all are!). In the meantime, she is hitting tennis balls against her garage door which fortunately is located at the end of a court so picking up stray balls is easy.

A highlight for Janet was attending the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles with her children. They saw Carl Lewis win a gold medal in track & field and set a world record at the same time. Janet's father was a big fan of track & field and would take the kids to events all around the Bay Area. She remembers seeing Bruce Jenner at one event.

Janet also remembers the end of WWII when she was a young girl and happened to be at the corner of 5th and Market in San Francisco. Workers began streaming out of office buildings and people were celebrating in the streets. Eventually a stranger helped her onto a street car and she made her way home. If she had only had a cell phone then to record all the festivities.



In the past, Janet has helped the Walnut Creek Racquet Club board by mailing out the newsletter and assisting at tournaments.

Thank you Janet and we hope to see you back out on the courts very soon.



2020 Men's and Women's WING (WInter SprING) Singles Leagues Registration Form

Only
\$10

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Current Rating: ☐ 2.5 ☐ 4.5
 ☐ 3.0 ☐ 5.0
 ☐ 3.5 ☐ 5.5
 ☐ 4.0

I would like to enter the following division:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Women's 3.0 | <input type="radio"/> Men's 3.0 |
| <input type="radio"/> Women's 3.5 | <input type="radio"/> Men's 3.5 |
| <input type="radio"/> Women's 4.0 | <input type="radio"/> Men's 4.0 |
| <input type="radio"/> Women's 4.5/5.0 | <input type="radio"/> Men's 4.5/5.0 |
| <input type="radio"/> Women's 50+ (3.0-5.0) | <input type="radio"/> Men's 50+ (3.0-5.0) |

50+ Division is 1 flight with ALL levels (3.0 - 5.0)

I am a: ☐ WCRC Member (\$10)
 ☐ Non-Member (\$10)

Dates: November 26th - April 16th

Entry Fee: \$10 (per bracket)

Format: Men's Singles/Women's Singles

Divisions: Men's 3.0 - 4.5+ & 50+
Women's 3.0 - 4.5+ & 50+

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 best two out of three sets. When opponents agree, a super tiebreaker (10 point) can be used in lieu of the third set.

Match Site: Any site mutually agreed upon

Scoring: The winner is responsible for reporting the match score by logging on to www.wcrc.net.

Standings: Division standing will be updated on a real time basis as scores are posted

Tournament: End-of-season tournament by arrangement for top 4 players in standings. Playoff matches to be complete 4/17 to 5/31.

Match Min.: 1 match

Checks to: Walnut Creek Racquet Club (**NOT** WCRC)
c/o Cameron Coltharp
336 Blue Ridge Drive
Martinez, CA 94553

Or Online: wcrc.net/login

Questions: camcoltharp@gmail.com
510-717-2107

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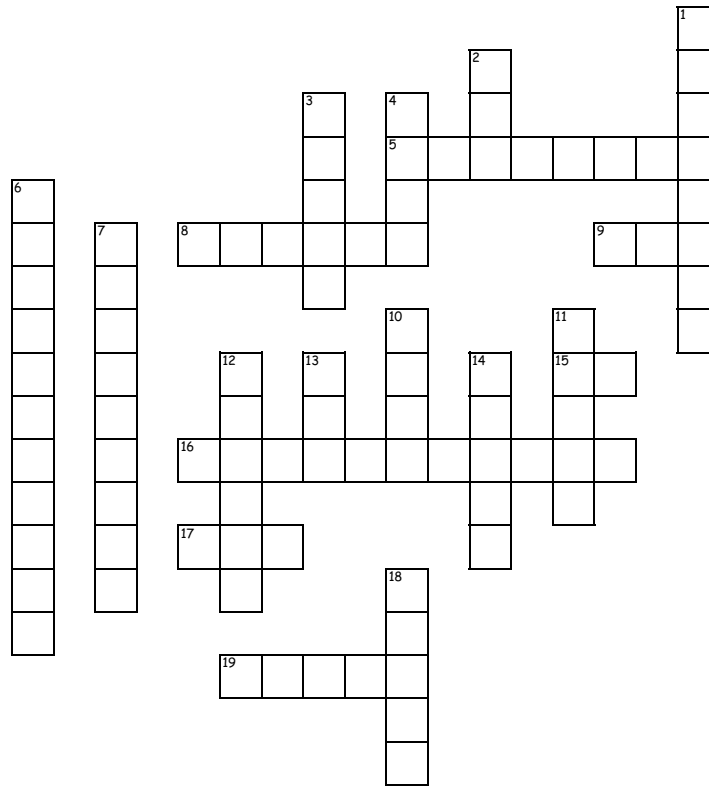


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Tennis, anyone?



Across

- 5. A serve that touches the net tape and falls into the proper square and is served over
- 8. To hit the ball in the air before it has bounced on the court
- 9. A ball served in bounds and untouched by the opponent's racket
- 15. The next point won after the score is "deuce"
- 16. When the server has served to two serves out of bounds on the same point
- 17. Scoring term: The first player to win 6 games with a min. 2-game lead
- 19. Term for when the score is 40/40

Down

- 1. Second cue/phase of the FH/BH Volley
- 2. A point that is played over due to some sort of interference
- 3. A serve that lands out of bounds or is not served properly
- 4. This is the court surface for the French Open
- 6. The person credited for introducing tennis to the U.S.
- 7. Illegal foot movement before a service
- 10. Scoring term when a player wins 4 points before opponent with a min. 2 point lead
- 11. The act of hitting balls back and forth over net - Includes all shots but the serve
- 12. The major tennis tournament played in New York
- 13. A ball hit sufficiently high to pass over the outstretched arm position of the net player
- 14. This is the court surface for Wimbledon
- 18. Relates to the act of winning a game in which the opponent served

CALENDER OF EVENTS 2021

**ALL USTA
Tennis Leagues
Suspended Until
Further Notice**



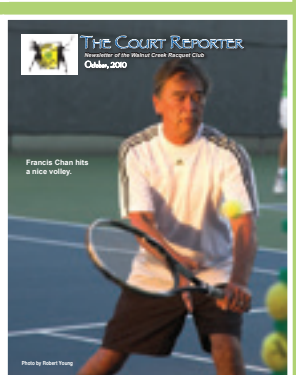
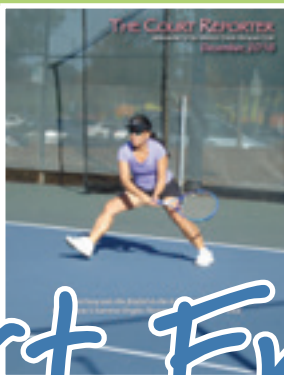
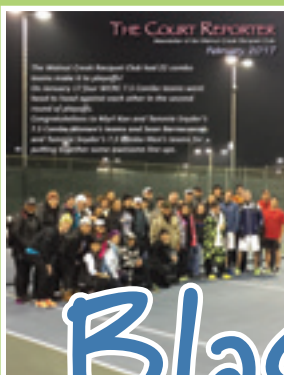
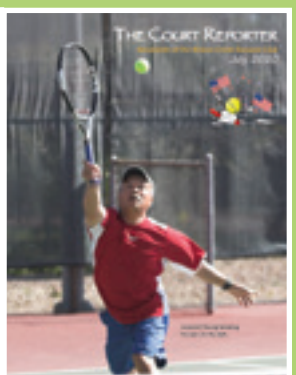
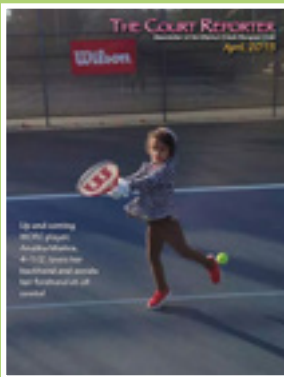
TREASURER'S REPORT

Cara Mia Barnacascel
through November, 2020



Walnut Creek Racquet Club
Profit and Loss
January - November, 2020

| | Total |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Income | |
| Advertising Income | 345.99 |
| League Dues | |
| Fall Mixed Doubles League | 1,436.21 |
| Summer Singles League | 3,839.79 |
| Winter Doubles League | -800.33 |
| Total League Dues | \$4,475.67 |
| Membership Dues | 9,765.73 |
| Total Income | \$14,587.39 |
| Gross Profit | \$14,587.39 |
| Expenses | |
| Board Meeting | 409.40 |
| Court Usage Fees | 35.00 |
| District Fees | 585.00 |
| Equipment | 173.99 |
| Filling Fees | 20.00 |
| Gifts | 232.04 |
| Interest Expense | 50.00 |
| League Expenses | |
| Total Fall Mixed League Expenses | \$2,554.36 |
| Total Summer Singles Expenses | \$1,595.37 |
| Total League Expenses | \$4,149.73 |
| Office Supplies | 388.75 |
| Total Printing and Reproduction | \$233.74 |
| Rental Deposit | -500.00 |
| Sectionals Fees | 90.00 |
| Website | 5,066.90 |
| Total Expenses | \$10,934.55 |
| Net Operating Income | \$3,652.84 |
| Other Income | |
| Total Other Income | \$252.36 |
| Net Other Income | \$252.36 |
| Net Income | \$3,905.20 |
| Balance through November, 2020 | \$50,006.99 |



Blast From the Past