



# THE COURT REPORTER

*Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club*

*February, 2022*

**Debashis Panda  
watches his  
forehand winner.**





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## THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### Happy February!

After the rain we have really had some beautiful weather out at Heather Farm. It's nice to see all the 40+ adult and 18+ mixed teams playing matches, not to mention the WCRC Leagues that are currently going: Fall Mixed Doubles, WING Singles and Winter Doubles! Lots of tennis!



**Sally Krapf**  
2022 WCRC President

We will be hosting the **Fall Mixed Tournament** the weekend of February 5th with match play on Saturday and Semis and Finals on Sunday. Best of luck to all the teams playing! Even if you aren't playing feel free to stop by and watch some great tennis!

The draws should be out soon.

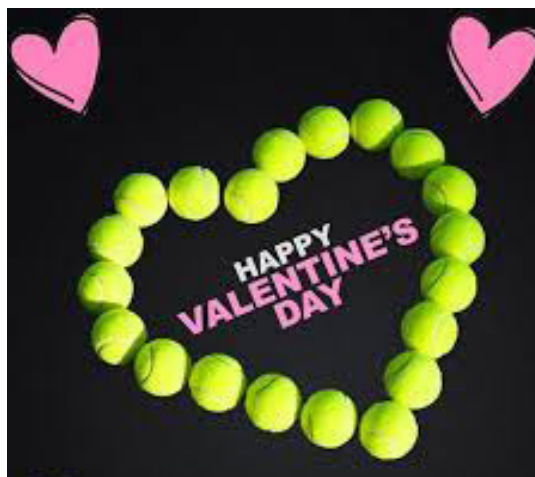
USTA recently opened registration for 18+ Adult, 18+ Adult Daytime and 55+ Adult. We currently have 2 daytime teams, 19 18+ teams and 12 55+ teams!

Our next big WCRC Event will be the **Calcutta** which will be coming in May. Stay tuned for more information as we near the date. As of now the City of Walnut Creek is not reserving any indoor facilities so the Board is figuring out ways to be creative again for our Calcutta party and auction.

Happy Valentine's everyone!

See you on the courts!

**Sally Krapf**



# M EMBERSHIP

**Welcome to Our 75 New Members**  
**Current Membership: 1308**

Kailerk Aeksarun	Walnut Creek	3.0	Brandon Morning	El Cerrito	4.5
Kathryn Aguilar	Pleasanton	4.0	Ron Morris	Lafayette	4.0
Madeline Ahern	Danville	3.0	Severine Morris	Lafayette	N.A.
Stephen Andrews	Lafayette	4.0	Karina Newsom	Danville	3.5
Ploy Atibaedya	Hercules	4.5	Roberta Ouaou	Walnut Creek	4.0
Martin Aufhauser	Moraga	3.0	Sandra Parke	Alamo	3.5
Steven Bakos	Diablo	4.0	Tilah Parker	Pleasant Hill	3.0
Karen Bibel	Brentwood	3.0	Leone Patterson	Alameda	4.5
Aileen Burgoyne	Orinda	2.5	Jennifer Perkins	Danville	3.5
Chris Burns	Danville	3.5	Mark Peterson	Alamo	3.0
Patrick Chan	Danville	3.5	Holly Plank	Clayton	3.0
Connie Chang	Castro Valley	3.0	Guru Prasad	San Ramon	3.5
Linda Choi	Lafayette	3.5	Terry Quinlan	Walnut Creek	3.5
Marlane Cook	Berkeley	4.5	Nicole Radlow	Orinda	4.0
Linda Duchscherer	Castro Valley	3.0	John Riley	Danville	4.0
Samantha Dullea	Walnut Creek	3.5	Veronica Roussel	Walnut Creek	4.0
Sarah Eisenhart	San Francisco	3.5	Josh Russell	Alamo	3.5
Yolla Elahmadie	Concord	3.5	Selma Samayoa	Pleasanton	3.0
Scott Faulkner	Walnut Creek	3.0	Michelle Saunders	Danville	3.0
Lana Fletcher	Pleasanton	3.0	TJ Schaefer	Hayward	4.5
DM Gaisser	Danville	3.5	Angela Schmidt	Concord	3.0
Juan Garrahan	Danville	3.0	Ernest Schulze	Orinda	4.0
Mendy Gonzales	Lafayette	3.5	Abigail Sexton	Danville	3.5
Jennifer Grant	Concord	3.5	John Sines	Danville	3.5
Dana Greason	Orinda	4.5	Leslie Souttaphonh	San Lorenzo	3.0
Amir Habib	Vacaville	3.5	John Spoerl	Concord	4.0
Laura Herbert	Pleasanton	3.0	Carissa Swanson	Concord	3.0
Cliff Johnson	Dublin	3.0	Scott Takishita	Danville	3.5
Bob Koury	Castro Valley	3.0	Jennifer Theal	Oakland	4.0
Jim Krochka	walnut creek	4.0	Beth Topor	Danville	3.5
Penny Lane	Pleasanton	3.0	Robert Venema	San Ramon	3.5
Dale Lifson	Walnut Creek	3.0	Julie Wassell	Danville	4.5
Shiow-Rong Lin	Hayward	3.0	Michelle Weiss	Danville	3.0
Don Loeffler	Walnut Creek	3.5	Fenny Widjaja	Livermore	4.5
Terry Magovern	Danville	3.5	Gary Wiedemann	Concord	3.0
Shay Martin	Napa	4.0	Scott Wood	Brentwood	3.5
Jonathan Maze	Oakland	4.5	Josh Zimmerman	Walnut creek	4.0
René Monday	Moraga	4.0			



Membership questions contact:  
Pam Maloney at 925-787-3970 or  
email at: [pam4tenis@gmail.com](mailto:pam4tenis@gmail.com)



*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.*

**L**aith Kadourhe, General Manager of Lifetime Activities since November 2020, is the lucky guy who took the helm of the organization during a once in a generation pandemic that turned everyone's world upside down and required implementation of many new and ever-evolving public health protocols. Laith, who likens managing Lifetime Activities to trying to control a raging wildfire under normal circumstances due to the wide variety of competing interests, has successfully guided the club through the pandemic and kept everyone on the courts as much as possible, while keeping the safety of staff and clientele alike at the highest priority. He was able to do so, in part, by dedicating one Lifetime employee to liaise with the relevant government agencies and remain abreast of current public health mandates and protocols.

An East Bay native, Laith was raised in Danville, where he still lives. He initially learned of an opening with Lifetime Activities while sitting in a classroom at Monte Vista High School surfing Facebook, and decided it would be good experience, so he applied and began a career at Lifetime that spanned over seven years before he was elevated to General Manager in 2020.

Laith has done everything at Heather Farm, from the highest-level management functions to helping squeegee the courts when the club was desperately trying to host some important playoff matches during wet weather. During his tenure Laith has overseen a myriad of changes at Heather Farm, including the new pickleball courts and numerous rounds of windscreen repair and replacement, in addition to the implementation of new protocols required by the covid pandemic, which he described as a "huge challenge." His vision for the club is to establish it as a place where anyone in the community, regardless of skill level, can come and hit the yellow fuzzy ball and enjoy the game of tennis, while he also strives to preserve the strong USTA legacy that has taken hold at Heather Farm. To accomplish this, Laith has enlisted the help of a local tennis pro Jeff Forbes to take on the role of his Tennis Director and has built a team of dedicated/talented staff and coaches.





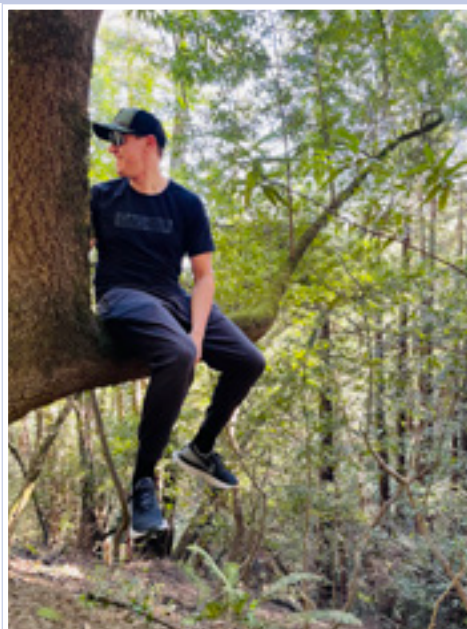
Laith also realizes that tennis isn't the only fast-growing sport in the area, as pickleball has taken root and the local Walnut Creek pickleball community is growing rapidly. In this next year Laith looks to foster and build Lifetime's relationship with the WCPC, so that both the tennis and pickleball communities can call Heather Farm their home.

Despite spending much of his time with "my butt in a chair" handling the many duties of a GM, Laith still gets out to on the courts for the occasional hit. He started out on a different court, where he was a basketball player, and as a power forward for Monte Vista High School his teammates nicknamed him "the Laith show" after a string of good games. One of the all-time classic nicknames.



Like everyone who has been interviewed for this "spotlight" series, Laith stressed how much he enjoys working with the Walnut Creek tennis community, doing everything from hosting big matches and community events to squeegeeing the courts after rain. And among all the perks of his position, it's the food that can't be beat for Laith. He says that the captains of the teams at Heather Farm bring out the best cuisine for the matches, from sub sandwiches and pizza to Japanese delicacies (hello Cara Mia!) and everything in between. I think we can probably all agree that one of the best things about playing tennis is the post-match food spread and libations, shared with our tennis family.

Like any good captain, Laith continues to steer the ship through the challenging waters of an ongoing pandemic and constantly changing rules, regulations and protocols from various entities and he continues to serve the the community through the unprecedented growth of both tennis and pickleball over the past two years. While he hopes for calmer seas ahead, as we all do, Laith has found a home with Lifetime Activities here in Walnut Creek where he appreciates the support of our passionate Walnut Creek tennis community. ■





## WCRC Men's & Women's 2022 Winter Doubles League



### Available Divisions

(you are eligible to play your level as well as one level above your current USTA rating)

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's 3.0     | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's 2.5/3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's 3.5     | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's 3.5     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's 4.0     | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's 4.0     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's 4.5/5.0 | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's 4.5/5.0 |

### League Cost

- \$40 per team (both Walnut Creek Racquet Club Members)
- \$50 per team (one WCRC Member, one non-member)
- \$60 per team (both non-WCRC members)

### 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 27, 2021 - May 9, 2022.**

**The tournament is scheduled for May 20-22, 2022.**

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.**

**Questions? Call Garvin Tom at (209) 969-5445  
or via e-mail [gtom12@hotmail.com](mailto:gtom12@hotmail.com)**





# 2021 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:            October 25th - April 15th

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](http://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 4/16 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](http://wcrc.net/login)

Questions:        [camcoltharp@gmail.com](mailto:camcoltharp@gmail.com)  
                         510-717-2107

Only  
\$10



**OPERATING HOURS AT WCTC****Monday – Friday: 8am-10:00pm • Saturday & Sunday: 8am-8pm**

**Mask Rules at the Courts** - Masks are recommended to be worn by all patrons when outdoors and social distancing cannot be maintained.

**Masks are required to be worn over the nose and mouth by everyone when entering the Pro Shop!**

**Ball Can Limit** - Due to ball shortages from our suppliers the Pro Shop now has a 2 can limit on ball purchases. We apologize for the inconvenience.

**Rain!** - Friendly reminder, in case of inclement weather to call the office at (925)945-0105 to check on court conditions before your reservation to ensure that the courts are playable.

**NOW HIRING** - Walnut Creek Tennis Center is now hiring for coaching and office staff positions. If you or someone you know is interested, please feel free to email the General Manager at [Laithk@lifetimeactivities.com](mailto:Laithk@lifetimeactivities.com).

**Northgate High School** - Courts will be closed during the weekdays for the Winter, but will still be open on weekends starting at 8am. For further information please email [Laithk@lifetimeactivities.com](mailto:Laithk@lifetimeactivities.com).

**Spring Break Camps** - Check out Spring break camps that are coming up in April. Further information can be found on line.

**Spring 2022 Youth and Adult Class Registration** - Spring session classes open on Feb, 15th! Spring 2022 Flyers is be posted on [www.Lifetimeactivities.com](http://www.Lifetimeactivities.com), for any further questions please feel free to call the office.

**Visit us online at [www.lifetimeactivities.com](http://www.lifetimeactivities.com) or stop by the the office at 1751 Heather Drive.  
Please call with any questions at 925-945-0105.**





# CALENDER OF EVENTS 2022

## Feb

## Mar

Feb 4-6	WCRC Fall Mixed Doubles Tournament
Feb 21	USTA 18+ Registration Closes
	USTA 18+ Daytime Registration Closes
	USTA 55+ Registration Closes
Mar 11	USTA 65+ Daytime Season Closes
Mar 13	USTA 40+ Season Closes
	USTA 40+ Daytime Season Closes
	USTA 18+ Mixed Season Closes
Mar 17-20	USTA 18+ Mixed Playoffs Round 1
Mar 21	USTA 55+ Season Opens
Mar 21-25	USTA 40+ Daytime Playoffs Round 1
	USTA 65+ Daytime Playoffs Round 1
Mar 24-27	USTA 40+ Playoffs Round 1
	USTA 18+ Mixed Playoffs Round 2
Mar 28-Apr 1	USTA 40+ Daytime Playoffs Round 2
	USTA 65+ Daytime Playoffs Round 2



## WCRC LEAGUES

Fall Mixed Tournament Feb 4-6, 2022

WING Singles - Oct 25 - April 15, 2022

Winter Doubles League - Dec 15 - May, 2022

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Cara Mia Barnacascel

January - December, 2021



### Income

League Dues	0.00
Fall Mixed Doubles League	1,391.89
Summer Singles League	3,775.15
WING singles	993.73
Winter Doubles League	2,793.04
Total League Dues	\$8,953.81
Membership Dues	12,518.92
Tournament Dues	0.00
Total Calcutta Tournament	\$3,360.00
Mid-Summer Night Tournament	200.00
Total Tournament Dues	\$3,560.00
Total Income	\$25,032.73
Gross Profit	\$25,032.73
Expenses	
Board Meeting	228.57
Captains Meetings	740.06
Contributions	300.00
Equipment	42.39
Filling Fees	20.00
Gifts	125.00
League Expenses	0.00
Total Fall Mixed League Expenses	\$715.35
Total Summer Singles Expenses	\$2,048.83
Total Winter Doubles Expenses	\$887.03
Total League Expenses	\$3,651.21
Nationals Stipend	500.00
Office Supplies	301.93
Post Office Box	162.00
Postage and Delivery	54.75
Total Printing and Reproduction	\$429.50
Rental Deposit	-800.00
Rental Fees	800.00
Sectionals Fees	1,740.00
Supplies	0.00
Marketing	130.80
Total Supplies	\$130.80
Taxes	25.00
Tournament Expenses	0.00
Total Calcutta Expenses	\$6,849.76
Total Mid Summer Tournament Expenses	\$974.07
Total Tournament Expenses	\$7,823.83
Total Website	\$1,259.50
Total Expenses	\$17,534.54
Net Operating Income	\$7,498.19
Net Income	\$7,498.19

Balance through December 31, 2021 \$57,724.41

## Mixed Doubles League - Standings

**6.0**

Rebecca Kay/Brian Hennessy

**W**

4

**L**

0

**7.0**

Steph Stieber/Chris Alexander

6

0

**8.0**

Steph Stieber/Steve Lehmer

10

0

**9.0**

No matches played yet

## WING Singles League - Standings

### Men's

**3.0**

**W**

**L**

Steve Pelayo

3

1

**3.5**

Alexander Michael

6

1

**4.0**

Adam Chacksfield

7

2

**4.5+**

Jahan Vijeh

1

0

Steve Lehmer

1

0

**50+**

John Zentner

1

0

### Women's

**3.0**

**W**

**L**

Claire Jackson

3

0

Kayla Hornbrook

3

0

**3.5**

Jess Zhang

2

0

**4.0**

No matches played yet

**4.5+**

No matches played yet

**50+**

No matches played yet