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HE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I was wondering what to put into this newsletter And then the latest crisis hit!!!

This problem has a good news, bad news element to it The good news is we have lots and lots of tennis being played by the members The bad news is we are running out of courts to play all of this tennis on.



Gabe Goldstein 2005 WCRC President

Jim Farber and the staff at Walnut Creek Tennis Center are doing their usual

great job in making the courts available to us. However until he can find a way to manufacture additional courts for us to play on we are going to be bumping our heads up against these physical limitations.

Some additional, unpalatable facts have surfaced for us: Some non-league court users have gotten to City Hall seeking restriction of our usage at Arbalado, and the City is seeing it their way.

There have been complaints about lack of washroom facilities at Larkey Park - the swimming pool is now open, so that should ease that problem.

The courts at Northgate were due to be resurfaced; however due to a certain local politics, the City canceled this resurfacing. At the time of writing the City is considering handing these courts over to the School District Should this handover occur, WCTC will lose control of these courts for WCRC use - a serious problem in itself.

What can we do at this time?

- 1. Be Patient with staff at WCTC
- 2. Your Board is doing the best they can to get around this problem, as quickly as possible
- 3. Understand that we will work out an approach to this problem, and we will advise accordingly as soon as we are able to do so
- 4. We will welcome suggestions from you with regard to the problem, and if applicable, we will happily incorporate the suggestions in our process

On behalf of the Board and myself, I wish to express our sincere appreciation to Jim Farber for the support and understanding that we have always received from him with regard to the use of the courts under the control of the Tennis Center.

On another note, the playoffs are in full swing; I have heard some good news about some of the outcomes.... So keep the good news flowing!!!!

Lots of luck as the playoffs progress

See y'all on the courts, soon

Gabe Goldstein

2005 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



2004 CHAMPIONS:

Women's C Singles Tammie Snyder

Women's A Doubles Tammy Chan & Claudia Suh-Bown

Women's B Doubles Genny & Dina Decosta

Women's C Doubles Lisa Carlón & Tammie Snyder

Men's A Singles Shane Jones Thurston Barnett Men's B Singles Men's C Singles Debashis Panda

Men's A Doubles Chris Bown & Ron Hidayat Men's B Doubles Frank Jones & Rich Zavala Men's C Doubles Pete Fong & Pete Hellman

Mixed 9.0 Martin Dunlap & Melanie Pizzoli

Mixed 8.0 Heidi & Brad Belton Mixed 7.0 Debbie & Peter Hellman Mixed 6.0 Tammie & Justin Snyder WHEN: September 9-11 & Sept. 16-18, 2005

Walnut Creek Tennis Center WHERE:

DIVISIONS: Men's Singles/Doubles

> A (4.5+), B (4.0), C (3.0-3.5) Women's Singles/Doubles A (4.0+), B (3.5), C (3.0)

Mixed

A (8.0+), B (7.0), C (6.0)

\$10/person - Singles; \$20/team FEES:

**Entry fees include tennis balls and BBQ. Participants are guaranteed at least two matches -- consolation rounds will be held (some may be held at satellite sites).

Note: You must be an active member of the WCRC to play in the Club Championships.

ENTRY DEADLINE:

Must be postmarked by Friday, Sept. 2

Or sign up online at wcrc.net until Tuesday, Sept. 6

REGISTRATION FORM

	Pho	one
Rating		
Phone		
Rating		
O Male O Female	O Doubles O Mixed	O A (see above for division) O B (see above for division) O C (see above for division)
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on-line registration available at www.wcrc.net



Tennis News



USTA Update

Men's 3.0

Tammie Snyder and Myrl Kan's Men's 3.0 A team met up with Tom Miller and Tom Roth's Walnut Creek B team on Sunday, June 26th. After a 4+ hour



match the Walnut Creek A team came out ahead. The doubles teams of Gerry Brown and Joel Schaffer; Jay Evans and Ron Huxley; and Charlie Scudiere and John Carr all won in straight sets. The singles were a different story. Justin Snyder and Dave Engle both lost to their opponents Brian McConnel who was 10-1 for the season and Todd Ledingham who's new to WCRC. The team will play Valley Vista in the next round on July 10th at 12:15 at Heather Farms.

Men's 3.5

Don Loeffler and Gabe Goldstein's team won a hard fought 3-2 match against a tough Lafayette team. Singles players Bret Jones and Bill Charters came out on top in straight sets. The doubles team of Nat Bitton and Peter Hellman pulled out the third win for the team. The doubles teams of Tim Tamura and Don Loeffler; and Paul Morrow and Jeff Shuttleworth came up just short in their matches. Their second round of playoffs will be on July 10th at 10:30 am against Valley Vista.

Men's 4.0

WCRC will be guaranteed at least one team at the District playoffs this year as **David Wu** and **Mike Attiyeh's** 4.0 team will face-off against **Nick Scriabine** and **Eric Ladrech's** 4.0 team on Saturday, July 9th at 4:30pm at Heather Farms to decide the league championships. Be sure to mark it on your calendar and come down to see the action. Wu's 4.0 team eased past Pinole Park in a 4-1 decision played out at Heather Farms on Saturday, July 25th. The

team swept all 3 doubles and Charles Kearny pulled out a straight set victory in the #2 singles spot while captain Dave Wu retired



in the 2nd set due to a pulled muscle. Meanwhile at Arbolado Park, Scriabine's 4.0 team was able to pulloff a 3-2 victory over Discovery Bay taking the #2 Singles and #2 and #3 doubles spots. Look to see some exciting match play as these 2 teams square off against each other!

Men's 4.5

The league is still completing the regular season but **Mike Willis's** team leads the league with an 8 - 3 record.

Women's 3.5

On Sunday, June 26th, in what looked like a sea of pink and turquoise, the undefeated Oakhurst Women's 3.5 team took on **Judy Stillman's** undefeated Walnut Creek team in a playoff to determine the Women's 3.5 Diablo North spot at Districts. Both teams had experienced stellar seasons with Walnut Creek only dropping 2 lines in regular season play



and Oakhurst only dropping 3 lines. In their respective flight playoffs, Oakhurst cruised through Big C and Orindawoods and Walnut Creek defeated Lafayette in a close 3-2 decision and Round Hill with a 5-0 victory. On match day Oakhurst proved to be too tough for the Walnut Creek team, and dropping only one set to Walnut Creek's **Rosemary Brown** and **Corby Mullins** swept the WC team with a 5-0 victory. One



Tennis News



final note in case you were wondering, WC was pink and Oakhurst was turquoise!

Women's 4.0

In a tightly contested division, Judy Griffith's Women's 4.0 team was able to come out with the top position by pulling off a 9-1 regular season record. In the first round of playoffs, they faced a Willow Pass team who had posted a 7-2 record and been squeezed to the 4th position barely, by just a few points. The Walnut Creek doubles were able to dominate all 3 lines including an exciting comeback by the #1 doubles team of Kim McIntosh and Tifanie Steele who after being down a set and 2-5 were able to turn the match around and win in a 3rd set tiebreaker. Arlene Acosta clinched a 4-1 victory for the team in the #2 singles spot. In the 2nd round of playoffs, the Walnut Creek team faced a very seasoned Round Hill 4.0 ladies team. This time the singles were able to dominate with wins by Arlene Acosta and Marie-Josee Parayre, however the doubles were slightly outmatched by Round Hill veteran doubles teams and Walnut Creek dropped the match in a 2-3 decision.

Good luck to all and congratulations for a great season, it takes a team to have this type of success!

Women's Senior 3.0 Team

WCRC President Gabe Goldstein presents a check to Marti Riffel's Women's Senior 3.0 team for their trip to Nationals this year in October. The team



includes: Alice Adachi, Marilynn Baker, Linda Dow, Anna Huxley, Karen Leischer, Connie Loosli, Marie Murphy, Carol Papke, Jan Perez, Marti Riffell, Majorie Ruhl, Signey Russell, Carolyn Spady, Patricia Thornbught, Cathy "Sam" Vanecek and Janice Williams.

Women's Ball & Spring Leagues

After many rain outs and make up matches, the Womens Ball and Spring Leagues have finally been completed!

Congratulations to **Fran Bagnasco's** talented Super Senior Ball League team for winning their league with a 9 and 2 record. They will be heading to the playoffs and we all wish them the best of luck!

In the Spring League division, **Janet Neilsen's** strong B-2 team captured second place with a record of 7 wins and 2 losses. It was a tough league and the team was proud of their record.

Also in Spring League Kathy Leahy's A-1 team came in sixth as did Rita Utz' A-3 team. Denise Frazier's B-3 team came in fifth. All three teams had strong showing in many of their matches so felt all was not lost!

Fall and Ball Leagues registration has taken place and once again WCRC will be fielding teams at several levels. These leagues begin play in September. Listed are the teams and their captains.

Ball League:

A-2 Joan Yao

B-1 Dee Karwoski

Super Senior Ball Fran Bagnasco

Senior Ball

A-2 Judy Corlis

A-2 Hazel Faries

B-1 Janet Neilsen

C Barbara Ramey

Fall

A-1 Rosemary Brown

A-3 Pam Maloney

B-1 Joy Monroe

B-3 Denise Frazier

Combo League is Back at WCRC

The once highly popular and once boycotted Combo League is back at WCRC in 2005! Season runs August 8- October 31, 2005.

Combo teams are men's teams or women's teams. The format is three individual doubles matches per team match. Teams may enter at any of these levels: 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5, 9.5. Each team level has an upper limit of skill level, and players with ratings above that level may not play on that team.



New Member Information Removed for Privacy





Adult League – USTA local league matches
Super Senior 60 – USTA Season begins
Adult League – USTA Districts



5-7 Adult League – USTA Districts26-28 Adult League – USTA Sectionals



Adult Nationals – USTA
Super Senior 60 – USTA local league matches

10-11 WCRC Singes & Doubles Club Championship
(may extend into weekend of 17-18)

9-11 50 Mixed – USTA local league matches

12-14 Super Senior 65 – USTA Sectionals

16-18 50 Mixed – USTA local league matches

24-25 WCRC Summer Singles Tournament – Round I

50 Mixed – USTA Sectionals



Senior Nationals – USTA
Adult Nationals – USTA
CCTA League Tournament
Register online for WCRC Turkey Tournament
WCRC Summer Singles Tournament – Round II
50 Mixed – USTA Sectionals
Super Senior 60 – USTA Sectionals
Super Senior 60 – USTA Nationals

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gabe Goldstein

Income Statement: as of May 31, 2005



Income	
Awards Banquet	4,760.00
Winter Doubles League	4,700.00
Interest	10.58
Advertising Income	805.00
Membership Dues	11,793.00
Board Dinner	25.00
Summer Singles League	3,700.00
Calcutta Tournament	3,110.00
Valentines Tournament	140.00
Total Income	29,043.58
<u>Expenses</u>	
Paypal Fees	291.77
Winter Doubles League	4,003.70
Awards Banquet '05	4,625.69
Club Championships '04	294.19
Winter Doubles '04	104.50
Donations	662.43
Light Fund Payment	3,000.00
Membership Brochures	345.72
Member Directory	1,434.85
Newsletter	2,287.73
Non-Profit Fees	-10.03
Postage	622.20
Post Office Box Rental	58.00
Supplies	809.68
Website	517.40
Calcutta Tournament	3,862.84
Valentines Tournament	158.03
Total Expenses	23,068.70
Profit (Loss)	5,974.88
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\$11,500.66



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CET TO KNOW



EASTON CHEN

f you are at WCTC on Sundays you have probably already met Easton Chen. He has been working at WCTC since February 2005, but for the last six years he has been a Walnut Creek Aquabear.

e specializes in the 100 meter breast stroke and 200 meter individual medley (all strokes). He graduated from Los Lomas last month and is headed for Princeton to swim (and hopefully study).

f you run into Easton, he can let you know all that you want to know about happenings at the pool across the street.