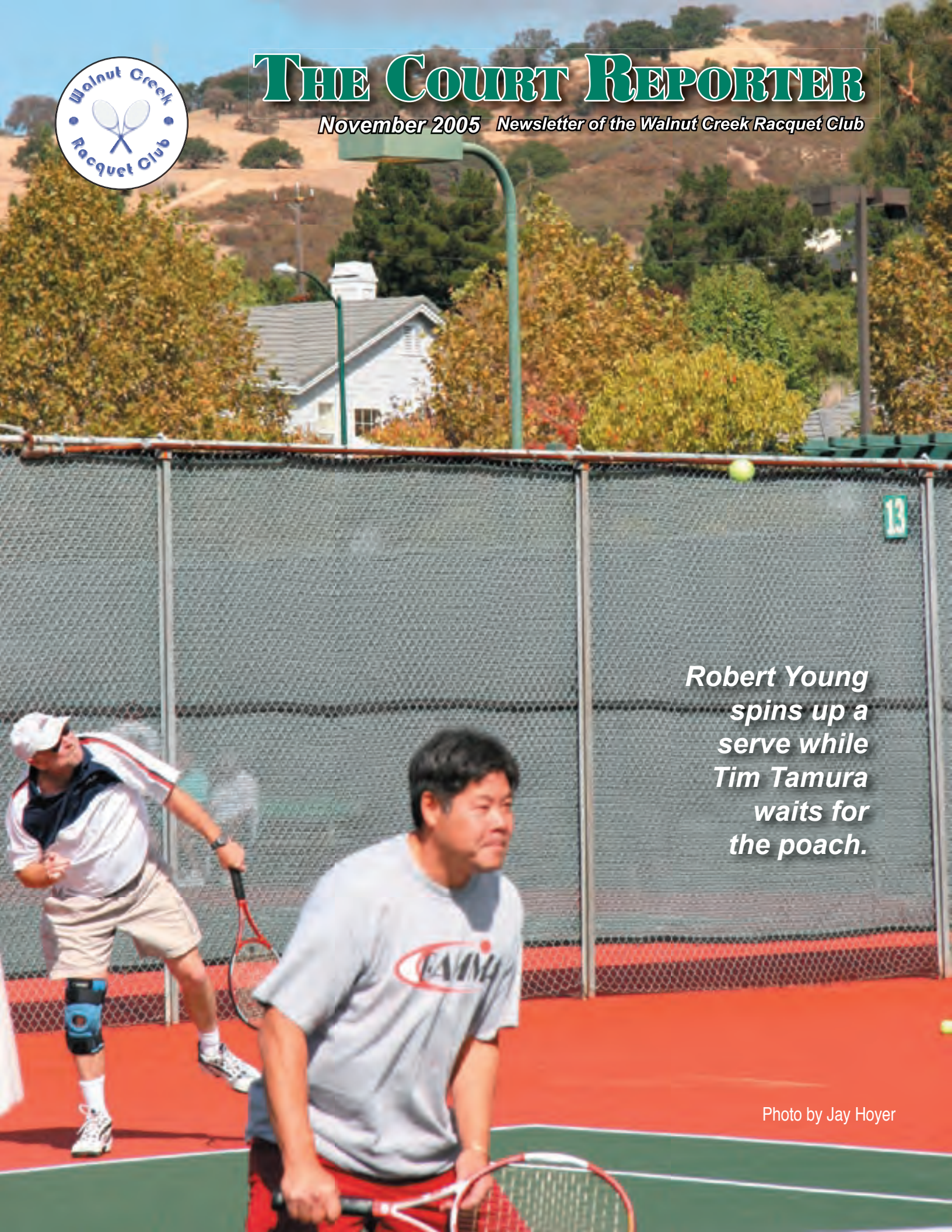




# THE COURT REPORTER

November 2005 Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club



*Robert Young  
spins up a  
serve while  
Tim Tamura  
waits for  
the poach.*

Photo by Jay Hoyer



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## THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, the year is drawing to an end, and, as I write this, we are preparing to set our clocks back, as one of the first of the fall rituals that we need to do.



**Gabe Goldstein**  
2005 WCRC President

This led me to do something, which I have been frequently warned against, that is, THINKING..... oh, well here goes, and, ..... The subject was tennis, the game that we love so much, and which is such an important part of our lives, whether it be from a social, physical, or competitive standpoint.

During the last few months my work pressures have forced me, unwillingly, to play less tennis, play on fewer USTA teams, and attend fewer practices than would normally be the case.....

The work pressure has now eased off, so that I find myself with extra time available, and a great hankering to play more tennis, and thus had to find opportunities to play and people to play with.

I rediscovered social tennis... playing competitive matches with good friends, winning (not enough), and losing (too often!!!)

We played for the love of the game, for the companionship, and to keep the competitive spirits flowing, and had lot of laughs before, during and after our matches – what a thought..... Tennis for the love of the game and for the companionship that it brings!!!

We have just the opportunity for you to play some fun, competitive tennis with fun, competitive people, namely the **Turkey Tournament** to be held on **November 19**. Enter now..... and rediscover the game just for the love of it!!!!

On another subject, the Board for 2006 is starting to take form; however, we still have room for you on the Board. Contact one of the Board members to see where YOU can fit in and help this great club as it continues to progress and to serve the game that we all enjoy so much

See y'all on the courts.....Soon

*Gabe Goldstein*



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# Summer Singles Highlights and Winners...



Almost half of the 300 2005 Summer Singles League participants elected to play in the season ending tournament. Most of the draws had at least 16, with a few going up to almost 32. The first day of tournament play began bright and early on a beautiful Saturday morning, September 25 at 8:00 AM. The 3.5 men (with 29 players they had the largest draw) started things out without a single three setter (much to the delight of tournament director Bob Walgren). Play continued throughout Saturday accompanied by delicious Tri-tip and Chicken dished up by our very own Nat Bitton. Sunday started just as early (with equally beautiful weather). Tammy Chan and Don Loeffler manned the grill and the tennis was great. By the end of Sunday all the draws were down to the Semi-finalists and everyone had the week to gear up. Saturday, October 1st was the big day.

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# Men's

In the Men's 3.0 division both semi-finals went to three sets, Iversen defeated Szumowski 2-6, 6-2, 7-5 and Mize defeated Mehlman 3-6, 6-3, 4-1 (ret.). In the finals Iversen won 1-6, 6-2, 7-5.



In the Men's 3.5 Chase had a tough day, defeating Soliman 5-7, 6-3, 7-5 and then going on to lose to Stern who had won his semi-final match over Lendingham easily at 6-2, 6-0. Stern won the final match 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 in the match of day Chase played his heart out but just didn't have enough left to pull it out.



The Men's 4.0 looked very similar, with one long semi-final with Rizzo (the 2004 3.5

Champion) defeating Gee 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 and the other semi going very quickly with Kearney over O'Neal 6-2, 6-1. Once again the more rested of the two finalists, the 2004 Champion Kearney, won the match 6-2, 6-4.



The semi-finals of the Men's 4.5 had Melnik over Attiyeh 5-7, 6-4, 6-3 and Cruz over Andrews 6-1, 7-5. In the finals Cruz and Melnik played an amazing first

set with Cruz taking it 7-2 in the tie-break. He then went on to win the second easily 6-2. Cruz also is a repeat champion from 2004.



having to win in a tie-break in the 2nd over Peterson 6-3, 7-6 (3). Judson pulled out an upset win over the number 2 seed Slover 6-4, 6-2 and then really got the crowd going, taking Hidayat to three sets in the finals. Ron pulled it out, defeating Judson 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.



At the Men's 5.0 level, the tennis was excellent (as always). Hidayat (our 2003 Champion) was tested in his semi-final match,

# Women's

The Women's 2.5 division is in its third year and they had 8 players in the tournament. Moncton won easily over Sianghio in her semi-final 6-1, 6-0 while Ann Miller had to battle against



Van Oosbree, but she pulled it out, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. Ann went on to win the final 6-2, 6-1.

In the Women's 3.0 had one player, Sellinger get defaults all the way into the Semi-finals, where she lost to Robinson 6-1, 6-4. In the other semi Britton defeated Brugmann 4-6, 7-5, 6-2. Robinson then went on to win over Britton 6-4, 6-4.



Michelle McDonagh came from behind in her semi-final match to upset the number 1 seed, DeSchane, 2-6, 6-4, 6-0. Richardi also had a tough matching, beating O'Neil 2-6, 6-1, 6-3. In the finals McDonagh won, 6-4, 6-2.

The Women's 4.0 semi-finals matches had the 2004 champion, Faye, taking on the number 1 seed, Widjaja. Fay won, 6-1, 7-5. In the other semi, "three set Maria" Ley outlasted Pagano 4-6, 6-0, 3-1 (ret.). In the finals Ley turned it in the second set but in the end lost to Faye 6-1, 5-7, 6-0.



# Annual Awards Banquet & Casino Night

**When: Friday, January 20th • 6:30 -10:30**

**Where: Shadelands Art Center (111 N. Wiget, WC)**

**Cost: \$30 (includes chips) Additional chips will be available**

## Sponsorships & Prizes Needed

Once again, we are offering sponsorships for the 2006 Annual Award Banquet (and Casino night!). Sponsorship donations which will benefit a local needy high school tennis program. In appreciation of your sponsorship you will receive the following recognition:

Signage at the party during the event. (Attendance is estimated at over 100).

Marketing materials can be made available during the event at the special "sponsors" table.

A thank you in the Court Reporter prior to and following Casino Night.

If you are interested in sponsoring a gaming table please contact **Jennifer Scriabine** at 457-5794 or by email at scriabine@astound.net.

We are also looking for prizes for the raffle. For prize donations please contact **Tammy Chan** at 324-0524.

## Casino Night RSVP

**Or sign up on line at [www.wcrc.net](http://www.wcrc.net)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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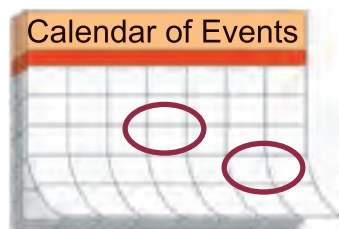
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**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR**

**Nov**

Mixed League – USTA Nationals  
Register online for WCRC Winter Doubles 06  
WCRC Turkey Tournament

**19**

**Dec**

**19** WCRC Winter Doubles registration closes

## TREASURER'S REPORT

**Gabe Goldstein**

Income Statement:  
as of September 30, 2005



### Income

Awards Banquet	4,760.00
Club Championships	70.00
Winter Doubles League	4,700.00
Interest	19.84
Advertising Income	805.00
Membership Dues	12,988.00
Board Dinner	25.00
Summer Singles League	8,330.00
Calcutta Tournament	3,170.00
Valentines Tournament	140.00

**Total Income** **\$ 35,007.84**

### Expenses

Paypal Fees	378.43
Club Championships '05	999.55
Court Rental - CCTA	120.00
Nationals - 6.0 Seniors	500.00
Winter Doubles League	4,003.70
Awards Banquet '05	4,625.69
Awards Banquet '06	300.00
Club Championships '04	294.19
Winter Doubles '04	104.50
Donations	662.43
Dues & Subscriptions	25.00
Light Fund Payment	3,000.00
Membership Brochures	345.72
Member Directory	1,434.85
Newsletter	3,974.29
Non-Profit Fees	-10.03
Postage	1,315.44
Post Office Box Rental	58.00
Supplies	1,220.39
Website	736.10
Summer Singles	2,691.93
Commission	11.15
Calcutta Tournament	3,538.21
Valentines Tournament	158.03

**Total Expenses** **\$ 30,487.57**

**Profit (Loss)** **\$ 4,520.27**

**Balance September 30, 2005** **\$13,183.39**

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## WCRC TEAM - NATIONAL'S UPDATE

*by Anna Huxley*

We made it to Palm Springs for the Nationals, six months after our Sectional sweep at Fresno.

It was definitely a long time to wait. However, the weather was perfect and we were thrilled to participate in this highly competitive tennis event.

There were mandatory 10-point tie-breakers that did not go our way. I must say.. practice those 10-pointers, they're over too quickly. It was close and exciting.

This ultimate National tennis experience will be cherished for a long time.



***Congratulations on a great season Senior Women's 3.0B***