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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

You'll probably be getting this newsletter a little late this month as I'm definitely getting a late start in writing it. The good news with that is that I can talk about Davis Cup and Combo Districts! Plus, I am sure that everyone is very busy right now shopping, baking cookies and writing out wish lists, so hopefully you all won't notice.



Shari Gonzalez 2006 WCRC President

First off, let me say a belated congratulation to the two 50 Mixed USTA teams that traveled to Napa to compete in the Sectional Championships - Gerry Brown's 7.0 team and Sam Vanecek's 6.0 team. Somehow I missed that in last month's newsletter. Also, congrats to Sam's team for winning Sectional Championships and moving onto the Pacific Northwest - Northern Cal Challenge up in Oregon - heard that you had a great time and I'm looking forward to hearing about that.

Hot off the presses are the results from Combo Districts weekend held in Fresno over the weekend of December 1-2nd. The **6.5 Walnut Creek combo teams** dominated the local league playoffs this year as both Myrl Kan's and Carolyn Spady's team made the District playoffs as well as Ron Huxley's Men's team. Congratulations to Carolyn and Ron's teams who are both moving on to Sectionals in Sacramento. Myrl's team had a tough draw and after taking the first 2 days of the competition faced a tough team from Reno Tennis Center, dropping the match in a 1-2 decision. Great job to all of the teams for getting this far in the league!

Unfortunately I was not around to catch the action, however I heard that the Club Championships this year were a great success. Thanks to Martin Dunlap for stepping up to coordinate the event this year and to Jennifer Scriabine and Roger Stone for helping to run the desk over the weekend. Looking forward to another successful event like this next year.

In other news, the theme for the annual party and awards banquet has been decided and it's 70's disco baby! We'll be offering group tables again this year for USTA teams and make sure to sign up soon as we filled up quickly last year, look for the sign-up in this month's newsletter.

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New Member Information Removed for Privacy



Tennis News



Seniors take on Nationals

by Robert Brockman

The competition at Nationals was as tough as you might expect, but our guys were right there in the midst of it. On the first day, against a team from Chicago, our guys took it to 9-9 in a supertie-breaker-so close we could taste it- but lost it 11-9. On the second day, we faced a team from Olympia, Washington, and again split the first 2 sets, but again went down in another tiebreaker. So close to getting to the semifinals! We won an additional line in the third match against a Minnesota team. Steve Mehlman and King Ng logged their 14th and 15th consectutive victories in a row as a pair, winning their matches against both Chicago and Olympia.

Our disappointment at the results aside, the tournament ran like clockwork, and the Indian Wells Tennis Garden is a beautiful venue and a terrific place to play.

Back row: Tom Amann, Tom Beatty, Dale Crabtree, Frank Concepcion, Tom Roth, Rob Brockman (Captain), Darrel Fiske, Dave Bentley

Front row: King Ng, Steve Mehlman, Max Sylver, Gary

Mochizuki, Dick Couchot, Stuart Levitas

Not pictured: Gerald Choi

Women's Spring League

by Carolyn Spady

The Womens Spring League schedules are completed for the 2008 season. Four captains have registered their teams at the following level:

Yvette Pezzaglia, A-2 Rita Uta, B-1 Elizabeth Baxter, B-1 Cass Flatley, B-3

A big thank you to these ladies for volunteering their time and effort so that you, the players, may enjoy a full slate of day time league play in the many leagues our club offeres! Play begins in January and must be completed by the first week in May.

Players interested in playing Spring League, who are not connected with a team, should contact the above captains to see if team rosters need another player.

Schedules will be posted on the outside bulletin board by the drinking fountains. For any schedule change or rain out make ups, please contact **Carolyn Spady** at carhspa@aol.com





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COMBO MEN 6.5

Ron Huxley's Walnut Creek 6.5 combo made it through the divisional championship at Fresno, November 30-December 2. This has been a team effort. Thanks to the 26 players on the team that contributed during the entire season to make sure we made it to Fresno. From there our guys fought valiantly. We had a set back, losing the first day 1-2. The next 2 days we rose to the challenge and prevailed winning 3-0. The team will look forward to carrying on the team's efforts and will to win at the Sectional level. It's been a magical ride.



Front Row: Jon Lien, .Mark Jimenez, Tom Roth Back Row: Captain Ron Huxley, Rich Kennealy, Dave Iversen, Mitch Rose and Gerry Brown

Not pictured: Alan Chan, Sterling Fairbolm, Frank Concepcion

COMBO WOMEN 6.5

Congratulations to **Carolyn Spady's** Walnut Creek's Combo Women's 6.5 team for winning the Divisional Championships at Fresno November 30-December 2nd! They will now move on to the Sectionals in Sacramento on February 1-3. They gained the title with a 3-0 win against Rancho Murieta, a 2-1 win against Cuesta and the final win that wrapped up the title against Clubsport Fremont with another 2-1 win.

The team will be going into the Sectional playoffs with a 17 win and 1 loss record for the season. Congratulations to the team for their outstanding play against some very strong competition



First row: Deanna Fong, Barbara Britto-Tang, Sheila Klenow, Jackie Phan, Karen Nishikawa, Sue Lyon, Suzzane Chang, Co-Captain Cass Flately, Renae McHale, Captain Carloyn Spady.

Middle Row: Robin Doyle, Debbie Wilson, Bev McHale, Denise Frazier. Back Row: Jan Williams, Amy Buscaglia, Donna Himinez, Ellen Leng, Zoe Carpenter, Jeanne Costello, Julie Bruna, Hilde Chan, Lisa Carlon. Not pictured: Bonnie Kline and Susan Cosso.



Myr'l Kan's combo team made the trip to Fresno as a wild card in the 6.5 division. They came out very strong sweeping West Valley on Friday as well as Benicia on Saturday only dropping a set each day.

On Sunday they met up against the other undefeated team in their flight. Reno came out a bit stronger than Walnut Creek this particular match up and ended up winning 2-1 on the final day.

Some amazing tennis was played throughout the weekend with not only talent but alot of heart as well to make the difference.

Front Row: Co-Captain Tammie Snyder, team mascot Lindsey Snyder, Lisa Warren, Captain Myrl Kan, Marylyn Buston, Team Pro & Coach Leonard Young, Violeta Franco, Coach Jerry O'Neal.

Back Row: Coach Justin Snyder, Araceli Ramirez-Ashe, Hyun Swanson, Maria Chiang, Kathleen "Pru" Pruden.

COMBO SEASON





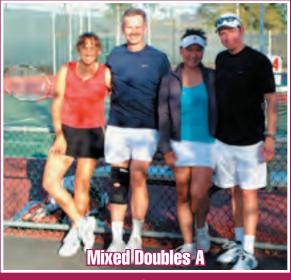
Club Champions



The 38th Annual Club Championships spearheaded by Martin Dunlap had some new format changes this year. The tournament offered the ability to register for up to three events and play them all within two days of tennis! Numerous players entered in singles, doubles and even mixed competition to go head to head with other club players. The two day event was quite successful with lots of participation and tournament help. Thanks to Jennifer Scriabine, Roger Stone, Tammy Chan and Martin for putting together a fun and exciting tournament.



Pete Truong/Jackie Phan def. Deanna Fong/David Stewart



Marianne Dundon/Martin Dunlap def. Claudia Suh Bown/Chris Bown

Mixed Doubles



Tim Tamura/Sharon Greene def. Carol Kennedy/Gabe Goldstein



Linda Stern/Michael DeLang def. Annette D'Anotnio/Adam Borovkoff (not shown)

Women's Doubles

Women's Doubles A

Darcy Beauchemin/Linda Stern (right) def. Fenny Widjaja/Julie Reed



Not Pictured: Women's Doubles A - Consulation: Genny DeCoste/Dina DeCoste def. Leslie Marr/Carol Robii

Men's Doubles A - Consulation: Stepehn Wellens/Leonard Young def. Rich Zavala/Mike Saputo

Deanna Fong/Karen Nishikawa def. Tammie Snyder/Marylyn Bustos



Pam Maloney/Mary Jane Kiefer (right) def. Maria Chiang/Lisa Warren

Men's Doubles



Chris Bown/Pat Beauchemin (right) def. Dave Weingart/Martin Dunlap



Venu Mullapudi/Debashis Panda def. Jerry O'Neil/Arseen Soliman



Jon Lien/Sterling Fairholm def.

Justin Snyder/Everett Thomas (not shown)

Men's Singles Women's Singles



















Not Pictured: Men's Singles A: Hazem Ouf def. Daniel Hoenecke

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



30-2: USTA Combo Doubles Districts



1-3: Sectionals - Combo League3: WCRC's Mardi Gras Tournament



17: USTA Adult League Opens



18-20: WCRC Winter Doubles Tournament



11: Calcutta Party and Tournament



26: MidSummer Madness Tournament



4-5 WCRC Summer Singles Tournament10-11 WCRC Summer Singles Tournament

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gabe Goldstein

Income Statement: as of November 1, 2007



INCOME

Winter Doubles League '07	3,484.00
Calcutta Tournament Fall	\$3,255.00
Awards Banquet '07	2,440.00
Mid-Summer Madness Tournament	410.00
Mardi Gras Fees	360.00
Club Championships	615.00
Interest	17.28
Advertising	825.00
Membership Dues	12,350.00
Board Dinner	150.00
Summer Singles League	8,117.00
Calcutta Tournament Spring	\$4,024.88

Total Income \$36,048.16

EXPENSES

Awards Banquet 2007	3,844.90
Board Meeting Expense	69.42
Calcutta Tournament Fall	3,534.14
Club Championships 2007	445.50
Club Championships 2006	200.00
Mardi Gras	233.29
Nationals Stipend	1,000.00
Commission	761.89
Dues & Subscriptions	25.00
Mid-Summer Madness Tournament	344.28
Non Profit Fees	80.00
Bank Service Charge	10.00
Light Fund Payment	3,053.00
Newsletter - Court Reporter	6,160.07
Membership Directory	2,170.93
Membership Brochures	32.48
Postage	2,566.20
Post Office Box Rental	63.00
Supplies	1,460.25
Website	1,075.40
Board Dinner Expenses	717.57
Court Resurfacing - Northgate	8,000.00
Winter Doubles 2007	4,210.88
Calcutta Tournament Spring	4,584.88
Summer Singles League	3,843.16

Total Expenses \$48,486.24

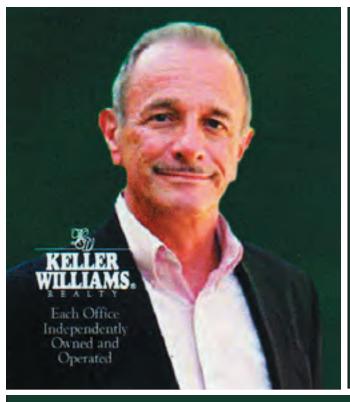
Profit (Loss) - \$ 12,438.08

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