

# THE COURT REPORTER Newsletter of the Walnut Creek Racquet Club May,

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**3.0 Women's Winter Doubles Champ** Myrl Kan hits a back hand lob while partner Nancy Chan watches.

**Photo by: Leonard Young** 

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# THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Congratulations to Faye O'Hara and Myrl Kan's Senior Women 3.0 team who won their division at Districts and will now be heading to Sectionals May 16-18 at Club Sport Valley Vista. Janet Cuchot's Senior Women 3.5 team was also at Districts and ended their districts run with a 2 wins and 1 loss. Their flight was so close that the



Tammie Snyder 2008 WCRC President

winning team heading to Sectionals was decided by sets loss. They were 1 set loss short of heading to sectionals. Great tennis ladies. **Gerry Brown** and **Debbie Hellmann's** 7.0 Mixed team also made it to Districts but fell just short against some very strong competitors.

Congratulations to all of our WCRC Winter Doubles Champions, we had a great tournament on April 18-20th. Thanks to **Bobby Walgren** who ran the tournament desk, **Pam Maloney** and **Suzy Dunlap** who took care of the food, **Bret Jones** who was our bbq master as well as the rest of the board who pitched in with set up and tear down each day. Please see the highlights of the tournament on page 8.

On a sad note we lost a long time friend and WCRC member **Dan Danner**. He died unexpectedly while working at the watershed on Sunday April 13. **Sue**, his wife, has put together a memorial hike in honor of Dan and it will be held Saturday, May 17 at Los Vaqueros Reservior & Watershed. See page 3 for more details.

As of printing time there was still a few spots open for the **Calcutta Tournament**. If you have not signed up yet, please do so asap as this tournament is a fun one (and a possible money maker!) This year's tournament will be May 10th with the Friday night auction/party on May 9th. Registration for this event can be found on line.

For all you die hard singles players who can't get enough in USTA League the WCRC is holding it' annual **Summer Singles League**. Complete information and a registration form can be found on page 4. Be sure to sign up on line and save money!!!

See you on the courts...





# New Member Information Removed for Privacy



# 2008 Men's and Women's Summer Singles Leagues **Registration Form**



Full Name		Dates:	June 2nd - September 26th
Address		Entry Fee:	<ul><li>\$25 for WCRC Members</li><li>\$35 for non-members</li></ul>
City Zip		Format:	Men's Singles/Women's Singles
Home Phone		Divisions:	Men's 3.0 - 5.5 Women's 2.5 - 5.0
Work Phone		Scheduling:	12 scheduled matches to be completed over 15 week season. Players are responsible for sched-
Cell Phone			uling their own matches. Players will be provided with a contact list of participants in their division.
T-shirt Size O M O L O XL O XXL T-shirt Type O Regular O V-neck* O Tank top* *V-neck and tank top in women's style only		Match Format:	Best two-out-of-three set format. 12 point tiebreaker. Both players responsible for bringing new balls to match. Winner gets unopened can.
Current Rating:	O 2.5 O 4.5	Match Site:	Any site mutually agreed upon
	○ 3.0       ○ 5.0         ○ 3.5       ○ 5.5         ○ 4.0	Scoring:	The winner is responsible for reporting the match score by logging on to www.wcrc.net.
I would like to enter the following division:		Standings:	Division standing will be updated on a real time basis as scores are posted
<ul> <li>Women's 2</li> <li>Women's 3</li> <li>Women's 3</li> <li>Women's 4</li> </ul>	S.0O Men's 3.5S.5O Men's 4.0	Tournament:	End-of-season tournament with draw determined by league standings. Oct. 4-5 & Oct. 11-12
O Women's 4		Match Min.:	6 matches
I am a: O WCRC Member (\$25) O Non-Member (\$35) If you register on line: O WCRC Member (\$20) O Non-Member (\$30)		Deadline:	May 23, 2008
		Checks to:	WCRC 2416 Encinal Drive Walnut Creek, CA 94597
		Or Online:	www.wcrc.net
		Deadline:	June 1st (online deadline)
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Register on line at www.wcrc.net and save \$5.00



# **MIXED DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

Las Lomas High School Students versus Seniors from the community to participate in a Fund-Raiser!

WHEN: Monday-Wednesday/MAY 12 - MAY 14, 2008
TIME: 4:00 PM – 7:00PM (Arrive 3:30 on Monday for Announcements)
WHERE: LAS LOMAS HIGH SCHOOL 1040 SOUTH MAIN STREET, WALNUT CREEK, CA
COST: \$20/player, payable to: "Las Lomas High School"
(All Donations accepted, payable to Las Lomas High School)

You will play every day! Max. match = 50 min. The field is limited to 15 doubles teams representing Seniors\* vs. 15 doubles teams representing High School. Seniors will be 3 Groups/5 teams each.

Play consists of: Group 1: 4:00-5:00pm Group 2: 5:00-6:00pm Group 3: 6:00-7:00pm.

**PARTICIPANTS**: Please bring 1 can of new balls (unopened). Snacks, soda, water and juice provided daily with Pot Luck provided Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Snack table sales for guests daily.

The Knights and Ladies of the Las Lomas High Court challenge the Senior Lords and Ladies of the Royal Court of Life. Are you "court smart"? What lessons can be learned together with a friendly invitation to a duel in 8 game/no advantage scoring format of limited play of 50 minutes. Come enlightened with etiquettes and dine on subtle snacks, food and fun.

Wins based on total games won. Entry Deadline: May 8th. No show/no refund.

Name: (Knight)		(Lady)		
Tennis Level:	Substitute:			
Your contact information to confirm play/receipt of entry:				
Address				
Email/Phone:				
Whom to contact in c	ase of emergency?			

# Please direct all qustions to Tennis Hotline Only: 925-280-3920 ext. 2823

# THIS PORTION COMPLETED BY TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:

Date Received Entry form: \_\_\_\_\_Signed Liability Release:\_\_\_\_\_

Check/GROUP 1<sup>-</sup>4:00pm-5pm \_\_\_\_

GROUP 2: 5:00pm-6:00pm\_\_\_\_

GROUP 3: 6:00pm – 7:00pm/Knight\_\_\_\_/Lady\_\_\_\_

# Tennis News DISTRICTS - WALNUT CREEK STYLE... 3.0 Senior Women 7.0 MX at Districts

### by Faye O'Hara

This morning was just beautiful in Sacramento! The weather was excellent & so was our team! We swept Rolling Hills of Marin County 3-0. We WON our flight at Districts today & will be going on Sectionals May 16-18 at ClubSport Valley Vista! So, no traveling to Sectionals, yeah!

Yesterday was very, very warm in Sacramento & we had a 3pm start in the heat of the day. We swept again on Saturday 3-0 vs. Auburn. Thanx to Moe for coming up again to be backup on Sat. & bringing Pru along with her to cheerlead & support our team. Thank you to Leonard for the invaluable coaching & cheering. There were a group on the WC 3.5 Senior gals that stayed after their match to join our rooting section. We knew after Saturday's match that we would be going to Sectionals, but didn't know if we would win our flight, or go as the wildcard finishing second.

Today was another hot day for our high noon match vs. Sunnyvale. Myrl & Corinne #2 lost 6-1, 6-2 putting up a good fight. Karen & Linda playing #1 faced tough opponents too & gave them a real run for their money 6-4, 6-4. Judy & Faye in line #3 were late to get started & won 6-3, 6-3--thus clinching our team's first place finish in our flight! Thanks for Pam Maloney for coming up with Karen to support us, and once again to all the WC 3.5 ladies from Janet Couchot's team who stayed after their match to join our fabulous rooting section (with bothered Sunnyvale to no end!).



by Gerry Brown



The "Mixed Nuts" from the Walnut Creek Racquet Club represented Diablo North in the District 7.0 Adult Mixed Doubles Championships held the weekend of April 25-26-27 at Stanford University's Taube Tennis Center.

Team members Gerry Brown, Karl Brown, Rosemary Brown, Cory Carr, John Carr, Cherie Charbonneau, Sue Danner, Rick Degraca, Sharon Greene Debbie Hellmann, Peter Hellmann, Josh Hohman ,Mark Jimenez, Mary Jane Kiefer, Kathy Lee, Linda Richardi, Liz Riddle, Tim Tamura, and Jon Von Ossbree experienced some great tennis, as well as, the prized experience of having their team play in the District Championships.

Unfortunately, your Walnut Creek team lost a coin toss for the Wild Card and was placed in the flight with perennial powerhouses Reno Tennis Center of Washoe County Nevada, Courtside of Los Gatos and Sun Oaks of Redding.

On Friday, the WCRC Mixed Nuts battled Reno tough with 4 of those anything can happen tie-breakers being the difference in a 1-2 loss. On Saturday there was more great tennis with all the matches close and the results again resting on 2 tiebreakers.

With the opportunity to be the "spoiler", the Nuts made the trip back to Stanford for an 8:00 A.M. Sunday match against a very powerful and undefeated Sun Oaks team. With the score tied at 1 match each, the exciting



and pressure filled tennis had the entire audience holding their breath. Although the final match was a 7-5, 7-5 victory for Sun Qaks, it was not without some nervous moments as the WCRC team played some outstanding tennis.

The competition was indeed tough as each of our opponents had at least 3 players whose ratings were moved up one level. Sun Oaks the eventual winner had 7 players moved up – two of whom are now 4.5 players. But despite the fact we did not win on the scorecards, everyone was a winner and we are looking forward to another fun and exciting experience at next year's District Championships.

# **3.5 SW at Districts**

# The Sacramento Saga

by Janet Couchot

We lost, yet we won.....now how could that be? Well, we needed our wins in TWO sets, not three! Cheered on by Mimi and Daphne that day, We gathered our forces and went out to play. Liz and Deb won match one, which made us all smile. Nancy and Joan's match went on a long while, But it ended most sadly when opponents, guite mean, Won in the tiebreak 11-13. As it sometimes happens when we go out to play, Sharon and Nancy also had a bad day. What did we do after such a defeat? We smiled and we went out to drink and to eat! Day two was much better as soon you will see. Numbers #2 and #1 teams won in two sets and three. Then poor Liv and Julie met Attila the Hun, Whose leftie forehand came out of a gun. Straight at the netman it often did go. In most leagues and tourneys she'd play as 4.0!

Then again we all joined for drink and good food. We ate, laughed and had fun. We were in a good mood. Julie, Ron, Jim and Mew Ling arrived on day two. It's always so nice to have friends cheer for you! It was now almost over....just one more day So I took a deep breath and grabbed Julie O, To head for the courts and put on a good show. We put up such a fight that all three teams won. We tied for first place which REALLY was fun! It just took us more sets to win in each match. Cupertino took less, and that was the catch. We had a great season. Much thanks to each one. Such a nice team makes "captaining" fun. Next time we will win it and then won't we cheer! (If you don't mind me "captaining" just one more year). Gratefully yours, Captain J.









# INTER DOUBLES TOURNAMENT MEN'S

# WOMEN'S





Nancy Chan and Myrl Kan def. Sue Lyon and Denise Fraiser 7-6, 4-6, 6-4.





Peri Ann Jeveli and Karen Treppa def. Mary O'Neal and Carol Penskar 6-4, 5-7, 7-6.





Carter and Heuer def. Schenk and Rueb 6-1, 6-1.



Rusty Weston and Justin Snyder def. Nargel Velasco and Rowan Semilla 6-4, 6-4.





Nancy DeSchane and Kathy Williams def. Carolyn Vogler and Arlene Acosta 7-5, 6-2



Debashis Panda and Brad Belton (right) def. Arseen Soliman and Jerry O'Neal 7-5, 6-3



Artem Melnik and Mike Toni (bottom) def. Carlos Manuel and Jackson Riker 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.





Marianne Dundon and Jennifer Rowen def. Tammy Chan and Mary Trueblood-Miller 6-1, 7-5



Over the past five years, hundreds of local tennis players – many members of Walnut Creek Tennis Club - have participated in Ace It!, a fund-raiser that now supports the Carol Ann Read Comprehensive Breast Health Center at Alta Bates Summit hospital in Oakland. The annual event, scheduled this year for Saturday June 21st, has raised over \$75,000 for treatment of breast cancer.

Ace It! began in 2002 when a group of women at Orindawoods Tennis Club wanted to support their friends and fellow tennis players who were receiving treatment for breast cancer. In 2002 women with breast cancer often had to travel all over the Bay Area to get therapy. When it was learned that a new facility was being built nearby that would house all needed treatment in

one place, Ace It! was dedicated to supporting the Carol Ann Read Comprehensive Breast Center. This April, the doors of the Center opened for the first time, serving as many as 80 women a day. All Ace it! supporters over the past five years have contributed to a uniquely helpful and hopeful place - this is the first center of its kind in the East Bay unifying the multiple services necessary for collaborative diagnosis and treatment under one roof in a beautiful setting designed for calm and comfort.

Please join us at this year's Ace It! on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Tennis players of all abilities are welcome to participate in the day's activities. Clinic sessions in the morning are taught by local tennis professionals, a buffet lunch is served on the



terrace at Orindawoods Tennis Club, and an afternoon tournament (grouped by ability) is staged at Orindawoods and various Lamorinda tennis club locations, winding up with presentation of awards in the late afternoon.



All entrance fees go directly to the Alta Bates Summit Foundation to support the Carol AnnReadComprehensive Breast Center so your entire donation is tax deductible. You can elect to participate in half-day sessions which include lunch, or the entire day. A registration form (is included in your newsletter, or) can be downloaded from the Orindawoods website at: www.orindawoodstennis.com.



# Calendar of Events



- **9-10:** Calcutta Party and Tournament
- **18:** Fifty Mixed USTA Team Reg. Opens
- **18:** Combo Dubs USTA Team Reg. Opens
- **16-18:** Senior USTA Sectionals
- **19:** Fifty Mixed USTA Season Opens
- 22: Combo Dubs USTA Team Reg. Closes



2: Super Sr. 60 USTA - Season Opens7-8: Mixed USTA - Sectionals



- 6: Super Senior 65 USTA Season Closes
- 11-13: Adult USTA Playoffs Round I
- 14-18: Super Sr. 65 USTA Playoffs Round I
- 18-20: Adult USTA Playoffs Round II
- 21-25: Super Sr. 65 USTA Playoffs Round II
- **26:** MidSummer Madness Tournament



- **1-3:** USTA Adult District Championships
- 4: USTA Combo Doubles Season Opens5: USTA Registration for Mixed League

Season closes USTA Registration for Senior League Season closes

- **8-10:** USTA Adult District Championships
- **13-19:** USTA WCRC court assignment meeting for Senior & Mixed Leagues exact date TBD, Captains must attend

# **TREASURER'S REPORT** Lynne Weinshelbaum



as of March 31, 2008

### Walnut Creek Racquet Club Profit & Loss January 1 through March 27, 2008

Jan 1 - Mar 27, 08

Income Awards Dinner 08 Winter Doubles 08 Income Interest Income Advertising Income Membership Dues Board Dinner	1,954.00 8,781.00 2.80 200.00 9,338.68 233.00
Total Income	20,509.48
Expense Winter Doubles 08 Board Appreciation Awards Banquet '08 Expenses Club Championships 07 Expenses Board Meeting Expense Paypal Fees Newsletters-Court Reporter Non-Profit Fees Postage Post Office Box Rental Supplies Website Board Dinner Expenses Total Expense	-50.00 420.28 3,561.17 475.38 78.67 499.77 1,722.15 20.00 500.00 70.00 647.31 368.85 878.27 9,191.85
let Income	11,317.63
Balance March 31, 2008	\$19,010.91





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