



# Woodland Tennis Club



## From the President

By now everyone has played on the courts at City Park after they have been resurfaced. Everyone I have talked to likes the change in color. On behalf of the Woodland Tennis Club I have thanked the Community Services Department for getting the courts resurfaced and for installing the new bathrooms.

Please mark the following dates on your calendar.

- Saturday, June 17 – The Woodland Tennis Club will sponsor the **Woodland GRAND SLAM Doubles Tournament**. The tournament will be held at Woodland High School. There will be men’s, women’s and mixed divisions. If you want to have some fun get a partner and sign up to play.
- Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> - these are the dates for the **HomeFix CITA Woodland Open**. This tournament offers total prize money of \$3,000 and attracts some of the best players in California. This is the third year that this tournament has been held at City Park. The Woodland Tennis Club is one of the sponsors of this tournament. Remember to bring a lawn chair and come out and watch some exciting tennis.

On June 1 members of the WTC Board of Directors met with the Parks and Recreation Facility Needs Subcommittee to discuss current and future needs of the Woodland Tennis Club and the tennis community. The subcommittee will be meeting with all user groups of city facilities including girls and boys softball, senior softball, little league and soccer. The subcommittees will evaluate the needs of all groups, establish priorities and make recommendations to the Parks and Recreation Commission. We will keep you informed of these developments.



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Edited by Kitty Schlosser

## Woodland GRAND SLAM Doubles Tournament

On **Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>** the WTC will host a one day doubles tournament for players ranked 3.0, 3.5, and 4.0. There will be men’s, women’s and mixed divisions. This promises to be a fun and exciting tournament. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners of each division. Registration is limited to the first 36 teams to sign up. More information and registration is available at the [WTC web site](#).

Complimentary drinks and snacks will be provided. This will be the first tournament of its kind that the WTC has sponsored.

## \$3,000 HomeFix CITA Woodland Open Tournament

The HomeFix CITA Woodland Open will be returning to City Park **June 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>**. This will be the third consecutive year that this tournament has been held. The major sponsor of the tournament is **HomeFix** which is a residential and commercial service, repair and maintenance company owned by **Maria and Sean Thomas**. Other sponsors of the tournament are **The Woodland Tennis Club, Morgan’s on Main, Maria’s Cantina** and **InterWest Insurance Services**. Many of the top open players throughout California will be coming to participate. Last year’s event attracted about sixty players.

## *Social Activities Committee*

### Members of the Social Activities Committee:

Elaine McCain (Chair)  
Floyd McCain  
Marjie McWilliams  
Marianne & Roger Cook  
Margo Roeckl  
Paula Stewart  
Elizabeth Lu  
Lenise & Dave Curtis  
James Ousey

If you would like to be a member of the Social Activities Committee contact Elaine McCain, Chair at [f.mccain@sbcglobal.net](mailto:f.mccain@sbcglobal.net).

### *Thursday Night Tennis*

Friday Night Tennis is moving to Thursday Night starting June 15th! Thursday Night Tennis will be held every Thursday Night each month except for December and January. This event includes three rounds of tennis, usually mixed doubles, and a fun and relaxing potluck of food and drinks afterwards.

If you would like to be included in this event please email Elaine McCain at [f.mccain@sbcglobal.net](mailto:f.mccain@sbcglobal.net).

A reminder email will be sent usually on a Sunday morning to sign up. You then respond to the e-mail that you want to play.

*All Social Activities Committee articles contributed by Elaine McCain.*

Members of the WTC enjoy a number of tennis and social activities planned and run by the Social activities Committee. Activities include the Annual Meeting, Valentines Tennis Social, Saint Patrick's Day Tennis Social, Halloween Tennis Social, Turkey Tennis Social, Friday Night Tennis and Summer Saturdays Tennis Socials. Members of the Social Activities Committee also assist with the Home Fix Yolo Open and our own tournaments, such as the Frostbite and the Woodland **GRAND SLAM** Doubles Tournament. Ongoing information about WTC's Social activities can be accessed on the "event's page" at our website: [www.woodlandtennisclub.com](http://www.woodlandtennisclub.com).

### *Frostbite Tournament*

The Frostbite Tournament was held on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. There was no frost, no wind, no rain. It was a beautiful sunny day. There were a total of 5 Divisions and 17 teams. The participants were pretty evenly divided between players from the Woodland Tennis Club and The Davis Tennis Club. The winners of the 3.0 Mixed Doubles were **Jonas Persson** and **Catherine Brinkly**. The winners of the Women's 3.5 Doubles were **Olivia Bryan** and **Elxx Vanderpool**. The winners of the Women's 3.0 were **Marjie McWilliams** and **Toby Warren**. The winners of the Men's 3.0 were **Monty Newborn** and **James Ousey**. The winners of the Men's 3.5 were **Duane Thomson** and **Mike Ramos**.

### *St. Patrick's Day Social*

The Saint Patrick's Day Social was held on Saint Patrick's Day - in the evening on March 17. A total of 8 players participated. They played three rounds of mixed doubles. The goal was to move up to court one in order to win the GREEN HAT. The winners were **Martha Okamoto** and **Scott Sheaman**. They were given gift cards to Father Paddy's Irish Pub. After tennis the players enjoyed traditional corned beef and cabbage, soda bread, and a lot of other delicious dishes brought by the players. **Margo Roeckl** coordinated this event.

### *Spring Potluck Social*

On Friday May 19, the Spring Potluck Social recognizing Interclub and Intraclub Captains and Co-Captains was held at City Park. The following were recognized: **Pat Garrison**, Captain of the Men's 3.5 team, **Creed Watts**, Co-Captain of the Men's 3.5 team, **Floyd McCain**, Captain, of the Mixed Doubles Intraclub Team and **Elizabeth Lu**, Co-Captain of the Mixed Doubles Intra Club Team, **Elaine McCain**, Captain of the Women's Intraclub team (fall season), and **Vivian Walker**, Captain of the Women's Intraclub Team (spring season). The Captains and Co-Captains received gift cards in appreciation of their service to the WTC. **Marjie McWilliams** coordinated this event.

### *Summer Saturdays*



Two tennis Socials are scheduled this summer. They are called "Summer Saturdays" and will be held on July 22<sup>nd</sup> and August 26<sup>th</sup>. Summer Saturdays have become one of the WTC's most popular events. After morning tennis players are treated to either a B-B-Q or some other delicious lunch compliments of the WTC.

## Spring Interclub Tennis

### Men's 3.5 Singles/Doubles Team

The team had a great spring season finishing in 3rd place with a record of 3 wins and 3 losses. They beat the Laguna Creek team which finished in 1st place.

#### Team members:

<b>Captain: Pat Garrison</b>	<b>Co-Captain: Creed Watts</b>
<b>Daniel Garcia</b>	<b>Ivan Garcia</b>
<b>Carlos Jackson</b>	<b>Justin Leishman</b>
<b>Ning Li</b>	<b>Andrew Loiten</b>
<b>Alexandro Lopez</b>	<b>Lars Miller</b>
<b>Michael Mitchell</b>	<b>Lee Moore</b>
<b>Stan Reyna</b>	<b>Leandro Taboada</b>
<b>Dave Taylor</b>	

*Contributed by Pat Garrison*

### Women's Intraclub Doubles

The Women's Intraclub, Spring edition had its last match on May 31<sup>st</sup>. The rainy weather and multiple injuries among our members forced the cancellation of some matches but, despite that, we played some very fun tennis.

Matches were held at City Park every Wednesday at 10:15. Two sets were played with the option of a third set or tie-breaker if necessary. Each Wednesday different teams were put together from the available players.

We look forward to continuing in the Fall with a tentative start date of September 6<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in participating in the Fall contact Vivian Walker at [notviwalker@yahoo.com](mailto:notviwalker@yahoo.com).

*Contributed by Vivian Walker*

## Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting was held at Steve's Pizza on February 18<sup>th</sup> and was preceded by a morning of Valentine's social tennis. The members present heard reports from **Floyd McCain**, President, **Karen Shepard**, Treasurer, **Kitty Schlosser**, Membership Chair and **Elaine McCain**, Social Activities Coordinator.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by **Elaine McCain** recommended that **Floyd McCain** and **Karen Shepard** be re-elected for a two year term and that **James Ousey** be elected to a two-year term to replace **Kitty Schlosser**. It was moved, seconded and passed that **Floyd, Karen** and **James** be elected to the Board of Directors.

**Karen Shepard** presented an updated Mission Statement. It was moved, seconded and passed that the Mission Statement be approved.

**Kitty Schlosser** was recognized for her term on the Board and being Membership Director. She was given a gift certificate to her favorite quilting store.

**Michael Kwong** gave an update of tennis programs and activities and also his own personal tennis.

**Kathy Payne** explained that the WTC had joined the Luna Vista Rotary Raffle taking place in the month of March. It is a simple fundraiser, the WTC sells raffle tickets for \$10 each and \$9 comes back to each charitable organization. There were numerous prizes listed, but the Grand Prize of \$2,000 got everyone's attention. **Kathy** sold 30 tickets on the spot!

After the meeting a number of prizes were raffled off. The prizes were donated by members of the Board of Directors and the Social Activities Committee.

*Contributed by Elaine McCain*

## Luna Vista Rotary Raffle

The easiest \$1,000 the WTC ever made! This year the WTC joined, with many local non-profits, in the Luna Vista Rotary Raffle. It is simple. We sell tickets for \$10 each and we get \$9 back for every ticket sold. The Rotary uses the \$1 for administrative costs. The Grand Prize was \$2,000 cash.

Next year we hope to sell more tickets. If each member bought one ticket we would be way ahead of this year. It happens in March, be ready!

*Contributed by Kathy Payne*

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## WTC Grants Received

### Woodland Recreational Foundation

For the second year in a row, WTC has been awarded a grant for the summer WTC Youth Tennis Outreach Program (YTOP) and The Woodland Cello International Tennis Academy (CITA). This year's grant of \$2,000 will be used for scholarships for youth between the ages of 12 and 17 who reside in Woodland.

YTOP takes place the week of June 12th through the 16th at Woodland High School.

For further information, contact: **Creed Watts**

at [creed.watts@wjusd.org](mailto:creed.watts@wjusd.org). CITA, a three-week program at City Park, will begin on Monday, July 10th. Contact head pro **Michael Kwong** at [michaelkwong77@gmail.com](mailto:michaelkwong77@gmail.com) for more information.

WRF states, "We are only able to issue these grants because of our hardworking volunteer board and community support. We hope to see you at one of our upcoming fundraising events on June 8th at the Blue Note Brewery and October 21st at the Yolanda Ranch." WRF can be reached at [woodlandrecreationfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:woodlandrecreationfoundation@gmail.com).

*Contributed by Karen Shepard*



### Sacramento Junior Tennis Fund

In February of 2017, the City of Woodland Community Services Department and the Woodland Tennis Club were awarded a grant in the amount of \$1,800 from the Sacramento Junior Tennis Fund to create a New Participant Youth Tennis Scholarship Round 2 Program. Participant age groups were from 6-9 and 10-16 years old. Forty-eight scholarships were awarded involving 144 lessons attended and 231 participant hours. The program was run by **Sunny Mallinson**, of the Cello International Tennis Academy.

*Contributed by Art Williams*

### Meet the New Board Member



**James Ousey** was born in 1948 in California. His grandfather and father were both US Navy officers. Their family moved every few years between different Navy bases and he looked forward to the moves.

When he was in the 4th grade at Adelup Elementary School on the island of Guam an event happened which affected his future life. From his school desk he watched as a two-masted ketch sailboat appeared from over the horizon, skirted the barrier reef, and sailed down the ship channel where it anchored in Agana Harbor. In his young eyes it looked like fun, daring, and great adventure.

After graduating from High School in Honolulu and serving two years in the USMC he took up residence on the Big Island of Hawaii. While there he became proficient in many water skills, scuba diving, sailing, deep sea fishing, surfing, and spearfishing. He was employed full time as a Fire Rescue Specialist for the County of Hawaii. A tennis tournament was held in Kailua-Kona in 1974 so he was able to watch the upstart Bjorn Borg defeat the aging icon, Ken Rosewall. Ilie Nastase won the \$50,000 purse, the largest in history at that time. He loved Hawaii, but there came a day when he flew to the US Mainland and soon after bought a sailboat in Vallejo. After a few months practice on his new home he sailed out of the San Francisco Bay early one morning on an outgoing tide, dreaming of world circumnavigation. However, that dream was not fulfilled.

He lived and sailed often aboard "Heather" and in Florida he eventually obtained his 50 Ton Captains License from the US Coast Guard. Unfortunately, during those years he had no time for tennis. All things change, and people are not an exception. He sold Heather in late 1988 and drove back to Vallejo where he began working in the environmental services industry as a telephone salesman. Everything changed again when he met his future wife Victoria in Manila in 1990. After they were married he realized that he had to be more serious about providing for a family. So without any college education, business knowledge, or technical know-how he opened a sole proprietorship and began manufacturing submersible pumps for the water-well drilling industry. Amazingly, the family business was a great success.

While their two kids were still in grade school he moved the family to the Capay Valley. There was a tennis court in Esparto at that time that lacked a net, but was otherwise in good shape. He took it upon himself to stretch a taut rope between the posts, and used the court to teach his kids how to play tennis. The Esparto Schools Superintendent took offense as he was planning to demolish the court to build a parking lot (yes, just like the song). James battled, but lost. The tennis court is now gone but there is plenty of parking spaces available at Esparto Elementary. In 2007, he sold their business and their Capay Valley ranch, but rented a house and continued to live in the valley. He immediately began responding to any inquiries regarding his vocation as "I'm retired". They moved to Woodland last year.

*Contributed by James Ousey*

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## WTC Makes a 'Racquet' at Woodland Senior Resource Fair

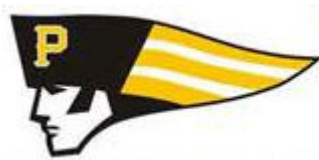
On Thursday, May 25th, WTC joined a gym-full of organizations and vendors at the Community and Senior Center's annual Senior Resource Fair. Traffic was brisk at the WTC table as seniors learned that Woodland does indeed have a tennis club. They spent time reading the large display board, learning how WTC supports youth tennis, picking up brochures and free post-it notes (photo below), and entering the raffle.

Seniors were advised that if they didn't play tennis, perhaps their children and grandchildren would find the game fun and a source of good, inexpensive exercise. All-in-all, the experience was a good opportunity for WTC to increase its visibility in Woodland.



Doug Shepard and Floyd McCain at the WTC table.

*Contributed by Karen Shepard*



## Pioneer and Woodland High School Tennis Program



This past season was one of growth and learning for the **Pioneer High** boy's tennis team. With only 2 players having played more than 2 years, we fielded one of your most inexperienced squads. In spite of that we were still able to fight our way to a 4th place finish. A good finish that was the result of a lot of hard work and improvement. The 4th place finish did mean that we missed the playoffs for the first time in recent memory.

Looking to the future we have a lot to be optimistic about. The past two seasons have seen a large number of freshman and sophomore recruits. Tennis continues to grow at PHS and we look forward to seeing our young players improve and help us get back to the playoffs.

*Contributed by Creed Watts*

The **Woodland High** boy's tennis season concluded at the end of April. It was a challenging year for the squad. Last year's team was comprised of almost all seniors so this year's team was pretty much starting from scratch. Co-head coaches Bob Brian and Brent Birdsall made strong efforts at recruiting new players but fell short of having a complete team.

The season started with 7 new players and a single returning player. The weather in February made it challenging to get much time on the courts so having beginning players was negatively impacted by the rain. We ended without a team win in league play but the players continued to improve throughout the season and everybody seemed to enjoy learning the game and being a part of the team.

The team only loses one senior this year so it should begin next season with more experience and hopefully a greater number of participants.

End of the season awards were presented to: Branden Hendrickson as Most Outstanding Player and Nyley Berlin as Most Improved.

*Contributed by Brent Birdsall*

## *Below are two ways you can help fund the Woodland Tennis Club:*

### *Amazon Smile Program*

For those of you who use Amazon Prime for online shopping, the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of every order placed to the Woodland Tennis Club.

When first visiting AmazonSmile (<http://smile.amazon.com>), you are prompted to select a charitable organization from almost one million eligible organizations. We hope you will select the **Woodland Tennis Club**. There are no strings for you, the shopper, or for WTC. This is just an easy way to make your purchases benefit the club. Remember, your Amazon Prime purchases must go through AmazonSmile in order to get credit for WTC.

*Contributed by Karen Shepard*



### *Nugget Scrip Program*

Since 2014, the Nugget Scrip Program has given the WTC a “no strings attached” total of more than \$200 in cash. Members who shop at Nugget and Food 4 Less show their scrip cards at checkout and the club is credited with up to four percent of the purchase total. Each time you purchase groceries you are helping the club grow financially. How easy is that? Cards can be obtained from WTC board members Elaine and Floyd McCain, Kitty Schlosser and Karen Shepard or from the Nugget corporate office located next to the Woodland Nugget Market.

*Contributed by Karen Shepard*



## *Tennis Etiquette & Rules: Q&A*

**Q. In doubles, where is the receiver’s partner allowed to stand at the start of the point?**

A. Anywhere on their side of the court, as long as they are not creating a hindrance.

**Q. Player A serves while a ball is lying ‘dead’ on her side of the court. Player B’s return hits the ‘dead’ ball. What is the correct decision?**

A. The play continues as normal if a ‘dead’ ball is hit.

**Q. How high should a tennis ball bounce?**

A. The rule specifying how the ball should bounce was set in 1925 and is still in use today. The test involves dropping a ball vertically from a height of 254 cm (100 inches) and measuring the rebound, which should (for all Type 2 balls) be 135-147 cm (53-58 inches). The range for balls for use at high altitude is 122-135 cm (48-53 inches).

*Source of reference: <https://tennismash.com/quiz/>*

If you have a tennis etiquette or rule question you would like us to research please send it to:

Karen Shepard at [karenshepard@pacbell.net](mailto:karenshepard@pacbell.net) or Kitty Schlosser at [kittyschlosser@gmail.com](mailto:kittyschlosser@gmail.com)



## *2017 Membership Application*

Check appropriate Membership category  
(new members joining after July 1st pay half price):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Single \$35  | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate \$17.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family \$50  | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate \$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (60+) \$25  | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate \$12.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Junior/Student \$20  | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate \$10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Membership \$1,000 (includes special recognition) |  |

Please make check payable to:  
**Woodland Tennis Club**

Mail to:  
**Woodland Tennis Club  
P.O. Box 2283  
Woodland, CA 95776-2283**

Associate members must be a member in good standing with the Davis Tennis Club.

OR signup and pay online at <http://www.woodlandtennisclub.com/about-us.html>

Type of Membership (circle one):            New                    Renewal

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Level of Play \_\_\_\_\_  
(Beginner, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Most club correspondence will be done by email.)

For Family membership, please list family members: \_\_\_\_\_ Level of play

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adult          Junior          Senior          \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adult          Junior          Senior          \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adult          Junior          Senior          \_\_\_\_\_

We share our member contact information **ONLY** with other club members so they can contact each other to arrange matches. Your contact information will be included in our Club Directory unless you opt-out.       Opt-out of directory

The Woodland Tennis Club is made up entirely of volunteers. Please indicate any areas of the club that you would like to provide assistance:

- Membership committee
- Newsletter
- Fundraisers
- Interclub team organization
- Tournaments
- Website
- Social activities
- Junior tennis activities
- Other ideas: \_\_\_\_\_

Woodland Tennis Club is a nonprofit organization dedicated to encouraging and expanding participation in tennis for all ages and abilities throughout the community.

**Thank you for supporting tennis in Woodland!!!**