

Borrego Springs Tennis Club



Written by Vickie Mercer and Gary McNamara

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#### **Hello!**

The 2012-2013 Tennis Season is rapidly approaching. The Borrego Springs Tennis Club has experienced significant change with the resignation last spring of our President, Marilyn Bean. The Club's highest priority is to find that one, dedicated person willing to fill her very large shoes. Gary McNamara will continue to serve as Vice President (Acting President) until the new President appears. Barbara Ash continues to track our funds, serving as Treasurer. JaNell Acosta will continue to collect our monthly fees at each tournament. As you know, this is a difficult task, but we all enjoy seeing her warm smile as we enter the clubhouse or dashing away from her when she requires payment... or else. Let's all try to make her job easier.



Barbara Ash, Treasurer

Also, there will be a new Tournament Director, Vickie Mercer, stepping into the position and relieving Jef Johnson and Jan and Gary McNamara of just one of their many duties. Roz

Smyth will assist Vickie where and when necessary. For those who don't know Vickie, they will quickly learn that she was once a volleyball player and actually served in the administration of the U.S. Volleyball Association many years ago. She was the first ever women appointed as a regional Commissioner, representing Alaska, when she and

her husband (Gary) lived there while he flew as a bush pilot. While in Anchorage, she was instrumental in hosting an international volleyball match between the U.S. and Japanese National Teams. Vickie coached at the community junior development level, as well at the local high school, until family demands called.

Like Ursula and Curt Hawkins, and many other club members, Vickie enjoys arts and crafts. She currently has a small part-time business focusing on lavender gifts and tea for wellness. During the summer months on Vashon Island, just 15 minutes from Seattle, she harvests lavender and then brings it to sell at the Friday Farmers Market in Borrego Springs. She will also sew a plastic door cover for your RV screen door (A Screen door Jacket), knit a scarf with 7 strands of yarn or create a circular card holder for your Hand & Foot and Canasta Games to organize your cards. For 13 years she published a magazine covering all aspects of machine knitting called, Machine Knitters Source.



Vickie Mercer Tournament Director

#### IT ONLY TAKES ONE

There is a rumor circulating that all winner's names at the October 27-28 Tournament will be thrown in a hat for nomination as President. This is not true. However, one individual needs to step forward to lead the club for the coming years. The Board assures all candidates that there are many behind the scenes members helping to make the job enjoyable; it is not overwhelming. Marilyn Bean has agreed to help make the transition much easier. Call Gary McNamara at 858-242-9924 or email him at porsche86@att.net if you would consider stepping up and applying for this important position.

#### **APRIL TOURNAMENT WINNERS**



Jacque Goodrich 4-0 & Teresa San Felipe 3-1



Borden Granger who tied with Gary McNamara 3-2 in RR -Gary actually played in the finals & Bob Speth 5-0



Sherrie Bunnel 3-1 & Janie Munce 3-1



Vickie Mercer 3-1 & Marla Anderson 4-0



Doug Baker 4-1 & Michael Shoemaker 4-1

### \$10 BUCKS! \$10 BUCKS!

How would you like to have the opportunity to save \$10 bucks? Pay your membership and tournament fee (again we dodged inflation and the price did not go up!) by the end of the day, October 27<sup>th</sup> and have your name included in the prize drawing. We will draw five winners on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Each winner chosen may skip the \$10 entry fee for one 2012-13 tournament of their choice. So, if you snooze, you lose.

NOTE: If you do not plan to attend the October tournament, you may mail your \$75 Membership Fee to Barbara Ash so that she receives it NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 24<sup>th</sup>. This will ensure that your name gets into the drawing.

SEND YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE TO:

Barbara Ash 5345 Paseo Caliente, Yorba Linda, CA 92887

And a final reminder; if you participate (or pay the \$10 tournament fee) in all six tournaments, your name is included in a drawing for \$100 at the last tournament. Jef Johnson was the winner in April, 2012.

#### SPEAKING OF SNOOZING

The first tournament coincides with Borrego Days Festival (**www.borregospringschamber.com/Borrego Days**). Make sure you have your room reservations made early this year as the festival is expected to draw bigger crowds than it did last year.

# **Tournament Date**

(notice that we are starting with straight doubles this year)

<b>October 27 – 28</b>	Straight Doubles tournament (Borrego Days)
December 1 – 2	Mixed Doubles tournament
January 12 – 13	Straight Doubles tournament
<b>February 16 – 17</b>	Mixed Doubles tournament
March 16 – 17	Straight Doubles tournament
April 13 – 14	Mixed Doubles tournament and Banquet

To enter tournaments prior to arrival at club house you may email or phone: Vickie Mercer - vickiesbstcmail@gmail.com / phone is 206-550-3914 Roz Smith - rcsmyth@peoplepc.com / phone is 619-222-9687