



Borrego Springs Tennis Club

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2013-2014 Off to a Terrific Start

There were festivities in the air as all players took a 90 minute break to watch the parade down the main street of Borrego Springs. It was warm and a good crowd filled the tennis clubhouse starting early on Saturday morning. It was good to see friends and familiar faces.

Most of all, we were warmed to see Ursula Hawkins playing after her health battles of the last six months and another long time member Carole Stalabacher.

The temperatures climbed to the low 90's but after all that is what we come to the desert. Also to hone as tennis skills.

The Anza Borrego Tennis Center is in fine shape and the welcome was grand from Borden and Sandi Granger once again.

December 7—8

We again will play round robin but this month mixed doubles. The weather is forecast to be a bit on the cool side, especially in the mornings which could be in the 30's. One weather site is forecasting rain while another is for spot showers which is usually what we get. Be prepared with jackets.

For those of you coming from out of town, please sign in when you arrive at the club house and confirm that you know your starting match times. For the many Borregan's playing, I know that you are here but would appreciate you confirming that you know your starting time. This reduces our phone calls.

What's for Lunch

Look to warm up with something Mexican for lunch from Fred. Remember, proceeds are going back to the club and we appreciate supporting Fred's efforts.

Ladder Committee Formed Again

Michael Shoemaker, Barry Frahm, Nine Hanson and Jacque Goodrich have offered to assist with the leveling out of the ladder rankings of the club. This group will report to the board.

Remaining 2013—2014 Dates

Mixed Doubles	December 7-8
Doubles in the Desert (Invitational)	Jan. 2—5
Straight Doubles	January 18-19
Mixed Doubles	February 15-16
Straight Doubles	March 8-9
Mixed Doubles	April 5-6

Injury List

- Our President reports that he is feeling fine but has not been cleared to play tennis following a surgery and a couple days in the hospital this past week.
- Curt Hawkins is preparing for the insertion of a pace maker and we certainly want to keep him in our thoughts.
- Harold Larson is having knee surgery on Dec. 5th.
- Pat Finn is recovering from shoulder surgery and hopefully will be back by February.
- Jef Johnson continues to complain about his knees and we hope to see him back soon.
- Jackie Shalahamer continues to have Achilles issues from pickle ball rather than tennis.

Friday Night Barbeque

Bring an appetizer to the Clubhouse and something to put on the barbeque at 6 o'clock. There will be lots of cards and other games inside. Even though we don't sit around waiting for the draw and schedule anymore doesn't mean the night before fun has ended. Come join us.

Member Playing Well?

Good to hear from Don Campbell that he can't make it due to his success in his World TennisTeam pursuit. He will be playing this weekend in qualifiers at Ocean Beach Tennis Club.



Bill Hanson was the winner of the drawing from the early membership payees to earn a free tournament entry of his choice. Barbara Ash reports good pre-payment of memberships this year. Good job!

October Winners

1st



Michelle Miller / Sandi Kean

2nd



Terry Moy / Vickie Mercer

Ghostly Whites

1. Michelle Miller / Sandi Kean
 2. Vickie Mercer / Terry Moy
 3. Bonnie Wilson / Barbara Ash
 4. Concha Rivera / Susan Ammons
 5. Marla Anderson / Carole Stadebacher
- Michelle & Sandi won the finals after Vickie & Terry had finished their pool 4-0. Great come back! Concha left the final set with a shoulder injury and Liz Speth substituted for her. Finals score was 8-5

1st



Borden Granger/Harold Larson

2nd



Ray Carle / Curt Hawkins

Blood Screammers

1. Borden Granger / Harold Larson
2. Ray Carle / Curt Hawkins
3. Hans Hansen / Don Wilson

This pool played a double round robin with the results flipping following the second time they played each other. Finals score was 8-4

1st



Roz Smyth / Jan McNamara

2nd



Ursula Hawkins / Nine Hanson

Orange Pumpkins

1. Jan McNamara / Roz Smyth
2. Ursula Hawkins / Nine Hanson
3. Janna Wagner / Susan Dow
4. Jacque Goodrich / Harriet Lisak

The finals were hard fought with Jan & Roz winning 9-7, forcing a tie breaker which they won 10-6.

1st



Bill Hanson / Larry Wagner

2nd



Barry Frahm / Ken Shallahamer

Blue Bloods

1. Larry Wagner / Bill Hanson
2. Ken Shallahamer / Barry Frahm
3. Sheldon Baker / Fred Dow
4. Mike Shoemaker / Bob Speth

The finals were during the hottest point of the day. Mike Shoemaker's pared partner took another job which substitute Bob Speth to fill the vacant spot.