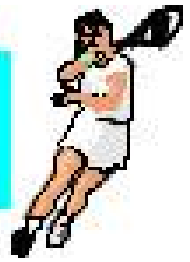


Borrego Springs Tennis Club

April 2014 Edition

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Last Tournament of Season: April 5th & 6th Mixed Doubles Round Robin Format

Message from your Tournament Director

Again the Borrego Chamber of Commerce ordered up a perfect weekend. One other perfection was the number of players who signed up—20 men and 20 women. Your tournament director only had to recruit a couple of players to round out the field.

The schedule started a little later as it wasn't as hot as the previous month. The last matches of the day began at 4 pm and it had cooled off a bit and the shadows disappeared making it very comfortable to play.

Most matches took the full 45 minutes playing with double deuce format. The ladies pool B saw the top three teams separated by only three games at the end of the round robin. Again all four pools saw competitive play and there were new partner matches mixing up the pools a bit.

Denny Bean was back playing and showed that he recovered well from his fall in January. Ursula Hawkins, still waiting for her doctor's approval to return to play after her mild heart attack, and Curt joined the fun and cheered on their friends.

Many snowbirds played their final matches prior to returning to their northern homes. Vicki Jowese and Bob Lemming, who were visiting from the Sacramento area, promise they will be back next year. Bob Harper and Greg Mitchell left this week for Bend, OR and Nome, Alaska. It is great to see new people in the club every year.

Each tournament we learn new processes and find new procedures to make running our them easier. Maybe you noticed that everyone is receiving a confirmation upon receipt of their entry this month. It was a silly thing but someone sent their entry to their partner rather than the tournament director and then called late Friday night to find out why they weren't on the schedule. So, now look for your confirmation in the future.

We are working on next year's schedule. We know that a volunteer will have to step up and act as tournament director for the 1st and 5th tournaments as your coordinator already has family conflicts. If you are willing to take on this responsibility, one or both, pleased speak to Vickie Mercer or Doug Baker.

LAST HURRAH!!!!!!

The April Tournament is upon us and with it comes the annual banquet. A Mexican buffet, courtesy of Pablitos Café, is back this year. So many compliments from last year. Decorations, full service, lots of great food with the best chili rellenos and they will clean up, leaving us to sit and enjoy our friends.

We are now past our two week deadline but if you still want to join us, RSVP Peg Lieb immediately by email at alpeglieb@gmail.com. Cost is \$25 per person but very well worth it. And don't forget to BYOB.

The entertainment for the evening will be provided by members Sheldon Baker on the guitar and Julie Kehler's beautiful voice. We look forward to a relaxing evening under the stars to enjoy this rare combination of two accomplished artists is not to be missed.

March Auction Sees Laughs, Laughs & More Laughs

The girls from Loma Linda were in fine form during our benefit auction on Saturday evening following our potluck dinner. There was something for everyone, even a robot brought by Tom McClure for JaNell to take home. These ladies worked so hard marking the items, making the lists and then collecting our money. When the bidding was over, the totals were over \$768. Plus, our club received a generous gift of \$250 from a benefactor and the Shallahamer's added \$20 for a grand total over \$1000. Thank you to all who contributed to this successful event.

Lunch with Fred

Plan now to join us for lunch with Fred Dow in the Club House on Saturday noon. It's always good, always ample and always benefits the club.



**\$50 Winner
Ken Shallahamer**

March 7 & 8, 2014 Straight Doubles Winners

1st



Julie Kehler / Jacque Goodrich

2nd



Penny Pralle / Peg Lieb

Powerful Primroses (Pool A)

1. Jacque Goodrich / Julie Kehler—5-0—*GW's 32
2. Penny Pralle / Peg Lieb—3-2—GW's 26
3. Niné Hanson / Harriet Lisak—2-2—GW's 24
4. Roz Smyth / Vicki Jowese—1-3—GW's 18
5. Janna Wagner / Susan Dow—0-4—GW's 16

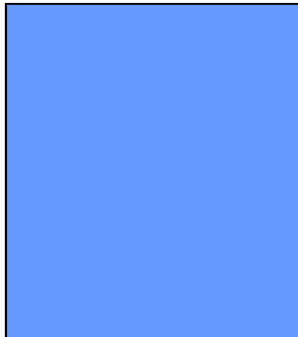
Finals score 8-0

1st



Nikki Wakeland / Sandi Kean

2nd



Judy Smith / Kerry Armstrong

Vivacious Verbenas (Pool C)

1. Sandi Kean / Nikki Wakeland—3-1-1—GW's 29
2. **Judy Smith / Kerry Armstrong**—3-1-1—GW's 28
3. Vickie Mercer / Marla Anderson—2-2—GW's 27
4. Michelle Miller / Bonnie Wilson—2-2—GW's 25
5. Mary Marchese / Barbara Ash—0-4—GW's 14

Finals were tied 5-5 when Nikki injured herself running into the fence.

1st



Rob Chester / Tom McClure

2nd



Larry Wagner / Doug Baker

Challenging Chiparosas (Pool B)

1. Tom McClure / Rob Chester—5-1—GW's 32
2. Larry Wagner / Doug Baker—4-2—GW's 29
3. Mike Shoemaker / Bob Lemming—3-1—GW's 26
4. Al Lieb / Bob Harper—0-4—GW's 25
5. Ken Shallahamer / Sheldon Baker—1-3—GW's 19

Larry Wagner / Doug Baker won final match 2-8 which necessitated a 10 pt tie breaker. That score was 10-8 won by Tom McClure & Rob Chester.

1st



Mike Wiley / Fred Dow

2nd



Ray Carle / Greg Mitchell

Awesome Ocotillos (Pool D)

1. Fred Dow / Mike Wiley—5-0—GW's 34
2. Ray Carle / Greg Mitchell—3-2—GW's 31
3. Ed Ghiorso / Denny Bean—1-3—GW's 23
4. Don Wilson / Bob Hopkins—2-2—GW's 22
5. Borden Granger / Tom Cunningham—1-3—GW's 18

Final score was 8-1 won by Fred Dow & Mike Wiley.

**These players were the tournament director's Hero's as they agreed to play to even out the numbers for the draw. Thanks so much for being with us.*

**GW's = Game Wins*