



Barrego Springs Tennis Club

February 2015 Edition

By Vickie Mercer



Fill up the Calendar

February 14—15

March 14—15

April 11—12

Mixed

Straight

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January Roundup

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Our third event of this season was equally as perfect weather wise as our first two. It was warm with crisp mornings and the evenings were warm enough for only a sweater. We had a large group with several visitors and we warmly welcomed back Pete Azar after a several year break.

We also welcomed back several members who have been out injured: Harold Larson, Concha Rivera and Penny Pralle. We had a visit from Jef Johnson, walking with no noticeable limp, and hope to see him on the courts soon. And our Snowbirds were back so the courts were definitely full. It was a real pleasure to meet the husbands of our Lorba Linda gals and to see Michele Miller's husband, Dick, back on the court without going over the net during the weekend.

Peg and Al Lieb were our hosts at dinner and following our meal we all learned more about each other's interest outside of tennis. Each of us shared just a 30 second segment of our lives, with the conversation transversing the tables and around the room. All the Borrego Springs players need to remember that the potluck is the prime time to welcome and show our appreciation for all those who come from long distances to enjoy our desert and our wonderful Tennis Center. All are encouraged to attend and use the time to grow your friend base. There are friendly card games and dice tables set up each night so come and enjoy the fun.

The Club is especially pleased to announce the election of Sheldon Baker (yes, that Sheldon) as Vice President to replace outgoing Gary McNamara. We will be forever indebted to Gary for all his listening abilities and coming to the desert to support our club for many, many years. His has promoted a club policy to make sure that all members get equable play. Our round robin formats are thanks to him.

Our next two tournaments need someone to step up to serve as acting Tournament Director as I have conflicts for both March and April. The draw will be completed and the schedule done, just need someone of oversee the play and make sure everyone shows up, distribute the balls and collect the results. Please contact me if you can assist.

And, congratulations to all winners last month. Many familiar faces but new ones too. There were lots of tiebreakers and the pools were again even with determination for the finals being calculated by games rather than matches. The women's top pool saw only two games difference between the 2nd, 3rd and 4th team. Ursula continues her great come back and showed strong play the entire weekend.

February 14 & 15 Tournament Deadlines

Guest Entry—Feb 11th noon

Member Entry—Feb 12th 2 pm

Look for schedule that night via email

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Couples in February Again

With our next event occurring on the weekend of Valentines Day, we are allowing couples to enter together as requested by the group by consensus during our meeting last month. Last year all couples enjoyed the opportunity and most were still talking to each other at the end of the tournament. If you don't have someone to play with, to no avail. You will be drawn an appropriate partner for the weekend. Remember once the tournament is drawn, you stay with that partner the entire time unlike the ABTC Invitational Tournament at the beginning of January each year.

Last month we welcomed desert newcomer's Les Muttersbach, Cheryl Kydd & Shaun O'Reilly and a visitor from Japan, Yoko Tanii. The visitor/snowbird forms are already flooding in for February so we look forward to meeting more new friends and increased challenges on the courts. Notice our deadlines above and get your entries in early. This month, each couple can submit just one entry as a team.

See you all on the 14th!



Sunset looking east, not west, on January 25th from Tennis Center. Picture by Vickie Mercer

\$50 Winner

Ray Carle

with Vickie Mercer



January 17 & 18, 2015 Straight Doubles Winners

1st



Fred Dow / Tom McClure

2nd



Bob Lemming / Sheldon Baker

The Magic Mountains (Pool A)

1. Tom McClure / Fred Dow—5-0
2. Sheldon Baker / Bob Lemming—3-2
3. Larry Wagner / Ray Carle—2-2
4. Michael Shoemaker / Al Lieb—1-3
5. Barry Frahm / Doug Baker —0-4

Finals score 8-6

1st



Bordon Granger / Ray Caldwell

2nd



Bob Hopkins / Les Muttersbach

Sun Spirits (Pool B)

1. Bordon Granger / Ray Caldwell—5-1
2. Les Muttersbach / Bob Hopkins—4-2
3. Harold Larson / Shaun O'Reilly—2-2
4. Pete Azar / Curt Hawkins—1-3
5. Dick Miller / Don Wilson—0-4

Finals score 9-8 (10-6)

1st



Harriet Lisak / Ursula Hawkins

2nd



Carol Caldwell / Teresa SanFilippo

Wayward Winds (Pool A)

1. Ursula Hawkins / Harriet Lisak—4-1
2. Teresa SanFilippo / Carol Caldwell—2-3
3. Jan McNamara / Janna Wagner 2-2
4. Nine Hanson / Vicki Jowise—2-2
5. Penny Pralle / Vickie Mercer—1-3

Finals score 8-3

1st



Michele Miller / Yoko Tanil

2nd



Sandi Kean / Susan Dow

Shimmering Sands (Pool B)

1. Michele Miller / Yoko Tanil—5-1
2. Susan Dow / Sandi Kean—4-2
3. Margo Milligan / Cheryl Kydd—2-2
4. Nikki Wakeland / Concha Rivera—2-2
5. Marla Anderson / Bonnie Wilson—0-4

Finals score 8-9 (10-5)