

Courtside

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A MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE RACQUET CLUB OF IRVINE

Upcoming Events

4/11	Easter Bunny art RCI
4/17	New Member Party
4/18	Wood and White Social @1pm
4/20	Ladies Day
4/21	UNI High Match @2pm
4/25	15 Year Plus Member Appreciation Party
5/2 -3	RCI Singles Championship
5/6	Pac Sun RCI Tennis Luncheon
5/13	Golf and Wine Outing
5/16	Generation Gap Tournament
5/23-25, 30-31	Adoption Guild
5/25	Memorial Day (Club closed at 6pm)



Ladies Day

Monday, April 20th
from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30
p.m. Continental
Breakfast, Round
Robin, Delicious Lunch,

Raffle Full of Great Prizes,
Boutique Shopping.

Cost \$50 per team. Sign up in
the Activities Book at the Front
Desk. Space is limited so sign up
today!

RCI

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HOURS OF OPERATION

M - F: 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Weekends: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

MIXED DOUBLES

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The rain stayed away and the players came to play, which made for a great weekend of mixed doubles action. This year's format was a round robin, which enabled players to play a lot of tennis, win, lose or draw. Congratulations to the winners and RCI's 2009 Mixed Doubles Champions.

Open division

Deidre Wilson and Peter Muller def.
Diane Lee and Kevin Jackson 6-4, 7-5

5.0 Division

Danette Parente and Bill Parente def.
Celeste Wallace and Scott Howe 5-7,
6-3, 7-5

4.5 Division

Elaine Diiorio and Dave Alpert def.
Don Brown and Cindy Searle 3-6,
6-4, 6-3

4.0 Division

Lindy Noroozi and Leon Tomasyan
def. **Mary Pruitt and Bill Patterson**
6-0, 6-0

EASTER BUNNY COMES TO RCI

on Saturday, April 11 at

10:30 a.m. Bring
your own basket
for the Easter Egg
Hunt! Take
pictures with Mr.
Bunny. Free
admission and
refreshments.



MEMBERSHIP CARD REQUIRED!

Hopefully, you have read the warnings over the last month that RCI will be requiring membership cards to enter the club. The time has come to use those cards, as the door will now be locked and your card will be needed to enter the club. If you are without a card, you will be asked to wait a minute while the front desk logs your entry into the system, and gets you a membership card. If you have a card, simply swipe it and go - it's a breeze.

If you have been checking in with your card, you are ahead of the game and have been eligible for our "Check in and Win" contest. We randomly picked a name of someone who has been checking in with his or her membership card to win a \$100.00 club credit, and the winner is... **Larry Straus**. Way to go Larry and thanks for helping us insure that people that use the club are members like you.

Did you know? Although its origins may be traced to the thirteenth century (according to some historians, to a much earlier date), it is usually held that 1874 marks the beginning of the modern game of tennis.

One Man's Opinion

I have been writing a monthly column for our membership for 25 years. Before that, I wrote a weekly column for my health care company. Thus, I have been writing to salesmen or to members for the past 36 years. I was thinking about passing this assignment on to my sons, when several members told me that they read this column carefully every issue. I must admit there are times that I wonder if anyone reads what I write, as sometimes I do not hear from anyone for months. Now that I know that many of you DO read what I struggle to write each month, I will continue to "give it my best effort".

The purpose of these columns is to help you understand what we are trying to do at all of our clubs. I feel that we have an obligation to our dues-paying members, which is to develop a mission by which we will try to achieve our vision. We will be reviewing our vision, mission and our core values prior to the start of our fiscal year on June 1st, to determine if we need any upgrades. It is wise to occasionally review our vision and mission as –TIMES and THINGS change, and we need to be alert to changes so that we can continue to meet the needs of our members.

Our number one core value is to "keep our clubs safe, clean, and well maintained." I do not care how great our leagues and match arranging might be, because if the club is not safe, clean, and well maintained, our members will not enjoy the club and we clearly will not remain the "club of choice" in our market.

If you have any ideas or suggestions about our mission statement, please email me at ces@spearmanclubs.com.

I am proud to serve our members, and very proud of owning our clubs and I want to help every member "do what they joined our club to do."

CHILD CARE RULES

The Racquet Club of Irvine prides itself on having a great childcare area and staff for our members to take advantage of while at the club.



Many of our staff has been at RCI for years and years and we hope the members feel very comfortable leaving their little ones in our care when enjoying the club. We do however, have some rules we must enforce to make sure that our staff will be able to do their job and your children will have a good time and be supervised in a manner insuring fun and safety. Please take a minute to review some of the rules that we will be enforcing more strictly to help us provide an enjoyable experience for everyone. If you are interested in all the rules affecting your child while at childcare, please check with the childcare providers the next time you are in childcare.

- 1) Infants under the age of one year may only be in the childcare center for 90 minutes. All other children can be placed in childcare for a maximum of 3 hours.
- 2) ONLY parents can check children in and out of childcare.
- 3) Please, do not send candy, gum or other sticky food items to childcare with your children.

From the office of

RAYS OF LIFE

MASSAGE THERAPY

MASSAGE, now more than ever...

With the wild fluctuations in the stock market, financial sages keep giving the same advice: "Invest for the long term. Don't be alarmed by short-term losses."

You know the saying, "When you have your health, you have everything." Never is investing for the long term more important than when you are making day-to-day decisions about your health.

AN EXCELLENT VALUE...

As you plan the family budget, ponder on how massage therapy affects your ability to make good decisions. Research on the value of massage has shown it to:

- Boost the immune system
- Improve circulation, concentration, energy, self-esteem, and sleep
- Reduce anxiety, fatigue, the flow of stress hormones, and the frequency of headaches
- Release endorphins (natural pain-killers and mood elevators)

As many Americans, you may be trimming some extras out of your budget. The price of massage has remained stable, while the cost of movies, dining out, and sports events has risen. Which of these activities has the power to improve your health?

Truly, massage is more than a luxury—it's a vital part of self-care that has a ripple effect on you, as you work, play, and care for others. INVESTING IN YOUR HEALTH IS THE ONE THING THAT IS SURE TO PAY OFF IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD. SEE YOU SOON! Stacy Walker—Rays Of Life Massage Therapy at RCI 714-362-1491.



DO WE HAVE YOUR NUMBER?

Have you changed your phone numbers

lately? If so, please make sure to update your home and cell phone numbers with **Taryn** at (949) 786-

3000 or email her at

taryn@spearmanclubs.com.



WOOD & WHITE SOCIAL

Don't forget the Wood and White event has been rescheduled for Saturday April 18th at 1pm. Join the fun of going back in time to the days of wood racquets and all white clothes. Some racquets are available for those without one in the back of the closet. Sign up in the activity book at the front desk.