

# Courtside

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## Upcoming Events

7/4	Independence Day (Club closed at 4pm)
7/6-10	Junior Satellite Tournament
7/10	International Potluck Dinner
7/18-19	2 Club Men's/Women's Doubles Calcutta
7/24	New Member Party
8/8	Poker Tournament
8/15	One Day Member/Guest Tournament

## OPEN HOUSE PARTY 2009

What a fabulous turn out! We thank our members who came to enjoy the good food and fun activities and welcome our new members! They are as follows:

*Hiromi Arai, Tomsic family, Rory Stewart, Jerry De Ainz, Gene Hobel, Dan Chin, Kimberly Pebbles, Kausen family, Ed and Brenda Blanchard, Syed Shah, Dan Stone family, Jonathan Weil*

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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.

## Congratulations Dean Corley! Crowned National 65 Doubles Champion

The National 65 and 70 Hard Courts finished last month at RCI, and one of our own was crowned champion! **Dean Corley**, a long time RCI member, and his partner **Mike Stewart**, won the National 65 doubles title with a convincing 6-3, 6-1 win over **Ken Robinson** and **Rich Anderson**. This was Dean's first national title and what a way to win it, with a win at your home club. Way to go, Dean!!!

In other finals, #1 **Leland Housman** defeated #3 **William Bethard** 6-2, 6-4 in the 65 singles final. In the men's 70 singles, **Bob Howes** from Australia def. **Rudy Hernando** 6-1, 6-2 and followed that victory with a win in the 70 doubles over **George Sarantos** and **Hank Leichtfried** 6-3, 4-1 ret. with his partner **Bruce Rehn**.

A special thanks to **Joan McGrath**, **Maggie Thurman**, **Glenn Doggrell**, and **Brian McDonald** for helping out at the tournament desk, and to **Steve Ryang** for hosting our friends from Australia. Oh, and thanks to **Heidi Quade** for scooping ice cream until her arm hurt. The players always comment on what a great facility and great members we have at RCI and I would have to agree.

## 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](mailto:taryn@spearmanclubs.com).

## "IT IS TIME FOR ME TO GO"



Wow, I started here in college as a part-timer, working everywhere from the front desk to the café to the pro-shop, then onto pro-shop manager, full-time

tennis professional and assistant tennis director. Now it has been over 24 years here at RCI and I have loved every minute of it from its wonderful members, to its awesome staff and supportive ownership. However, an incredible opportunity has come my way in the form of a position as the southern California Territory Manager for Babolat, which I will start this July. I just want to thank all of you for your wonderful support and all that I have learned and received from you. I will take that with me, along with my RCI heritage wherever I go in my travels in Southern California.

**ALLAN IVERSON**

## A NOTE FROM TARYN...

Are you aware of our reciprocal membership? For just \$15 per month, you can add a reciprocal status to your membership and play at all three clubs. Our two sister clubs are LNRC and TCMB. Contact me if you have any questions, or would like a tour of our other tennis and fitness clubs. Also, I would like to thank all the members who brought friends to the open house. We had over 91 guests and it was a great way for all of you to show case your club.

# One Man's Opinion

As we start our new fiscal year, I would like to share some information about your club and the way we manage our clubs.

First, we had our first "down year" compared to prior years at LNRC since we purchased LNRC in June 1984. Our membership dropped 8% and our operating income dropped 6% from the prior year. The months of April and May were better and ahead of last year, but the club did not do well from September 2008 until April of 2009 as the recession took a toll on our clubs. RCI's operating income for the year was just off last year's results. Like LNRC, RCI also had better April and May 2009 results compared to last year. RCI's membership count is off 6%.

We did continue our renovation and club maintenance in spite of the difficult time. We will continue to resurface courts, paint, and repair and try to keep your clubs in good condition. We have several major internal re-models planned for the fall, and I hope everyone will enjoy the changes we are planning. We always manage our clubs "for the future".

I remain committed to making your club the "club of choice" in every market we serve as we try to offer something special for everyone. I promise to keep your club safe (very important to me), clean and well maintained. I know we cannot please everyone all the time, but even when we are not able to accomplish your wishes ALL the time, we will still treat each member with respect and equality.

Several of you have asked me when I will retire, and when my sons will take over. The answer is – when the LNRC mortgage is paid, I will likely make my sons the CEO rather than chief operating officers as they are now. I like to be involved and my wife Jean also likes to be involved. Thus, we will likely be active until 2011 when we could consider passing the CEO duties to our sons. They are doing a great

job as Chief Operating Officer and they will be equally as good as CEO.

Email or call me if you have any questions about the way your club is operated, or any other aspect of Spearman Clubs, Inc.

We are proud of the fact our clubs are doing well in a very bad economy and the fact that membership at our clubs is holding up very well compared to other tennis and fitness clubs in Southern California. We appreciate EVERY membership and enjoy serving each member.

**Cecil E. Spearman, 949.496.2070 ex. 11**

## Sad Day for RCI

As the saying goes, all good things must come to an end. Having **Allan Iverson** at RCI for 24 years was a very good thing, but as of July 6<sup>th</sup> that will be coming to an end. RCI and I want to thank Allan for his tireless work, day in and day out, morning to night, trying to make RCI a club everyone could enjoy. I, for one think he succeeded, and I'm sure all of you would agree. It won't be the same around here with Allan gone, but we will be doing our best to fill his very large shoes, and I hope you will get behind and support whomever we choose to take his position. We hope that Allan will remain involved in the pro shop and RCI in some capacity, which will be great. Here's to Allan, may his new job be all that he expects and more, and may this job allow him to work less, spend more time with his family, play more tennis, get out in the sun, and spend his free time relaxing at RCI. He deserves it.

*Eric Quade*



**Happy 4<sup>th</sup>  
of July  
from all  
of us at  
RCI!**

## WELCOME WENDE TEGEN

*Certified Massage, Therapist/Holistic  
Health Practitioner*

Holistic health, wellness and fitness have always been the foundation of my life. After years of teaching, I decided (through the encouragement of a friend) to transition and pursue a career in Holistic Arts. Massage Therapy was a natural choice for me because I wanted the opportunity to touch people's lives on a daily basis. Being a competitive athlete growing up and still very physically active, I know the importance of Massage Therapy in the prevention and rehabilitation of injuries and the role it plays in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. I received my Massage Therapy and Holistic Health Practitioner Certifications through Healing Hands School of Holistic Health in Laguna Hills. My goal as a practitioner is to provide skillful, intuitive and compassionate care, allowing you to experience the many benefits of Therapeutic Massage. Starting July 1<sup>st</sup>, I will be the new Massage Therapist at RCI. Please feel free to contact me anytime with any questions or concerns, and I look forward to working with you in your pursuit of a healthier you!

### **Therapeutic Services:**

Signature Massage, CranioSacral Therapy, Swedish, Aromatherapy, Sports/Advanced Circulatory, Hot Stone Therapy, Deep Tissue, Pregnancy Massage, Neuromuscular Therapy, Shiatsu, Tui Na Acupressure, Thai Yoga, Reflexology, Chair Massage

### **Service Rates:**

#### **RCI Members/Advantage Academy**

30-min/\$35, 60-min/\$65, 90-min/\$95

#### **RCI Non-Members**

30-min/\$45, 60-min/\$75, 90-min/\$105

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