

Courtside

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Upcoming Events

5/2 -3	RCI Singles Championship
5/6	Pac Sun RCI Tennis Luncheon @ 11:30 am
5/16	Generation Gap Tournament
5/23-25, 30-31	Adoption Guild
5/25	Memorial Day (Club closes at 6pm)
6/6	One Day Mixed Member Guest Tournament
6/13	Patio Margarita Open House
6/15-21	National 65 and 70 Hard Courts
6/22	Junior Summer Tennis Camp begins

RCI Thursday Clay Court League

RCI's 4th season of our clay court league came to an end with a great lunch, great tennis and great fun.

This season's victors were:

50+ **Mark Newell**; 60+ **Dennis Hannan**; 70+ **Rich Haskell**; and **John Consentino** for participation with 9 weeks played. If you have Thursday mornings open, don't forget to sign up for this fun and flexible league.

CLAY COURT SINGLES

Championships

The clay courters came out in full-force to support this year's Clay Court Singles tournament and after the dust settled, we had our 2009 Club Champions. Congratulations to everyone that played, and special congratulations to our winners. All our divisions in this event were co-ed, with the women allowed to play down one rating point. A very special thanks to **Burnetta Tate** and **Teri Eggers** for giving the men a run for their money.

Open Division - **Marcio Pepe** def. **Dung Nguyen** 6-0, 6-1
5.0 Division - **Scott Walker** def. **Dean Corley** 6-4, 6-3
4.5 Division - **Frank Seo** def. **Steve Ryang** 6-0, 4-6, 6-4
4.0 Division - **Jack Gray** def. **Scott Devries** 6-3, 7-5
3.5 Division - **Bill Patterson** def. **Joe Bowerbank** 7-5, 7-5

MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE RESULTS

RCI's Mixed Doubles league came to an end and we can't wait to get it started again. With over 80 players participating, the tennis was fantastic and what better way to spend a Friday night. It will only get better next season as we will have a full liquor license to enhance the after tennis festivities. **Diane Lee** and **Jim Armbrust** came out on top of the players playing a minimum of 5 weeks, with an average games won of 15.0 and 13.2 respectively. We also gave a special participation award to **Dodie Nordberg**, **Terry Throop**, **Bob Southard**, **Loree Colon** and **Betsy Meegan** for playing 9 out of 10 weeks. Thanks to everyone for making our first season a success.

Patio Margarita Open House

Don't miss the Open House party on Saturday, June 13. It's guaranteed to be a fun-filled day for all! Great food, entertainment, tennis and much more! Win a FREE CRUISE! E-mail **Taryn** for more info at taryn@spearmanclubs.com

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One Man's Opinion

We are all more familiar with the current economic conditions than we WANT to be. Daily, we hear that the current conditions are the worst since the great depression.

I am pleased to tell you that our club memberships have held up very nicely. We are slightly down in all clubs, but we are not down nearly as much as most industries.

During the national club conventions, the management of IHRSA stated that the majority of clubs are holding their membership well and I am happy to be one of the club owners who is holding steady.

I have searched for a reason why fitness clubs and tennis clubs have held up well --and I think I have an answer. Being a club member is no longer just a place to socialize--yes, we have lots of fun as a club member, but we also stay healthy and fit and there is proof that staying healthy extends your life by an average of 3 years. Being fit also improves the quality of life.

Therefore, playing tennis, swimming and using the gym is not only social, but it is HEALTHY, it extends your life and it makes the quality of life better. So THINK about the benefits of regular exercise the next time you think about dropping your membership. YOU deserve the benefits of regular exercise tennis and gym workouts. STAY THE COURSE, as you deserve it.

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A MESSAGE FROM RAYS OF LIFE

Due to lack of interest, Rays of Life Massage Therapy may be closing at the RCI location. Thank you to everyone who I have met and worked on, and please know that I appreciate your business. I will still be available for sessions outside of the club. Please use your gift certificates sooner rather than later. Thank you!
Stacy Walker

Ladies Day

The sun was shining on Ladies day this year as the temperatures reached into the 100's, but that didn't stop the tennis or the fun. Everyone enjoyed the tennis, but the lunch, shopping and raffle made the day just perfect. The winners received a free massage from RCI's own **Stacy Walker** and after all the tennis, they needed one. The winners were:



Shopping Spree – **Susie Ochwat** and **Sylvia Coffman**
Spring Flowers – **Patty Gray** and **June McLaughlin**
Soccer Moms – **Loree Colon** and **Britt Meyer**
Win and Wine – **Kit Rohm** and **Vicky Frantz**
Let's do lunch – **Diana Pearson** and **Diana Moran**



GENERATION GAP TOURNAMENT

Juniors, grab an adult, and vice-versa and sign up for some tennis fun! Don't worry about the level, as any level is fine. The goal is to bring the generations together and have some fun. It will be on Saturday, May 16th, with tennis beginning at 11:30am. This will be followed by great food, drinks and awards. The cost is \$20.00 per team. Sign up in the activity book and join the fun.

Receive a \$25 discount on your first massage!

Offer is good only on first massage.

Cannot be combined with any other offer. Please contact **Stacy Walker** for more info!

714-362-1491



**Happy Mother's
Day from all of
us at RCI!**

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.

PAC SUN SIGN-UPS

It's that time of year - time to sign up for next season's Pac Sun league. The sign up sheets are up and we will be having the same teams as last year. Remember, players must sign up with a partner so grab your partner of choice and sign up now. If you have any questions, **Allan Iverson** will be glad to help you find a team or walk you through the rules. The sign up sheets are located across from the court director's office.

15+ Member Appreciation Party

On April 25th, the RCI Trellis hosted a walk down memory lane! Longtimers who have been RCI members for at least 15 years gathered on the Trellis for a festive evening of friends, food, and drinks. The highlight of the evening was a slideshow starring these longtimers enjoying the Club over the last 33+ years. A second highlight was the introduction of the benefits for members who have been with the Club for at least 15 years: free guest fees and a 10% discount for all their purchases in the Grille, Pro Shop, and club activities; 25+ year members receive all the 15+ year benefits plus free reciprocity to all three Spearman Clubs, Inc. facilities; and 35+ year members receive all the listed benefits PLUS a dues freeze.

It was a great evening, and we look forward to welcoming more and more members to this party each year!