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Fair Oaks Racquet Club  
Newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES

July Social:  
July 23<sup>rd</sup> – 10 a.m.

SATA Fall League  
Registration – July 25<sup>th</sup>

Next Board Meeting:  
July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

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# FAIR OAKS RACQUET CLUB



Vice-President's Message – Mike Pruss

Due to a lack of board members for Tuesday night's meeting (vacations/business travels) I am cancelling the board meeting for June. The July Board meeting will be Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>.

Also I would like to thank those members who showed up at the Park District meeting 2 weeks ago. The FOPD board agreed to partner with us on our fund raising endeavors. (See page # 6 to review the FORPD Staff Report.)

Thanks to Clairen we will have a non-profit partner in our fund raising program.

See you on the courts

Mike Pruss, Email: [mkpruss@comcast.net](mailto:mkpruss@comcast.net)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE OF JUNE – REPEATED by TERRIE O'DONNELL

Our first fund raising event will be in July or August and it will be at Chevy's restaurant in Gold River. Chevy's donates 25% of the total food check (excludes alcohol) to the fundraising group. Date information to come.....

The next fundraiser will be a bake sale at the Fair Oaks Chicken Festival. The Festival is September 25<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendar and everyone needs to bake their brains out for this event. We will need some volunteers to work at the booth so give me a call if you can help out as a booth volunteer or as a baker. Men can bake too!!!

This is the season of volunteering so please help me raise some money for windscreens and new court resurfacing. Please call or email and let me know how you can help.

Clairen Peeters  
Phone: 916-987-5290 (Hm)  
Email: [Clairen@att.net](mailto:Clairen@att.net)

## SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR CLUB MEMBERS

Fair Oaks Racquet Club Capitals "Get together" Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> and/or Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>

Contact Your Capitals' Ambassador, Linda Rhyme at Phone # 916-705-1939 or email:  
[lin@surwest.net](mailto:lin@surwest.net) to reserve your tickets.

Make checks payable to: Clairen Peeters (Clairen purchased 30 tickets for each event)

Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> – Serena Williams –FORC member ticket cost \$24

Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> – Mardy Fish – FORC member ticket cost \$20

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**The following Capitals information submitted by Linda Rhyme**



Sacramento Capitals, our very own pro-tennis team will be playing their 26<sup>th</sup> season at Sunrise Mall (corner of Sunrise and Greenback in Citrus Heights). There are only seven home matches in July. Don't miss this opportunity!

**Get a 10% discount (see below) and come out and support the team!**

DATE	OPPONENT	MARQUEE
Friday, July 8	New York Sportimes	Martina Hingis
Saturday, July 9	Washington Kastles	Serena Williams
Sunday, July 10	Newport Beach Breakers	
Tuesday, July 12	Kansas City Explorers	Mike & Bob Bryan
Friday, July 15	Newport Beach Breakers	Mardy Fish
Wednesday, July 20	Boston Lobsters	
Thursday, July 21	Springfield Lasers	

**Get to know the Caps players and help cheer them onto their 7<sup>th</sup> WTT Championship win.**

*Mardy Fish* - currently ranked No. 9 and our top ranked US Men's player on the ATP. (Plays on July 15)

*Mark Knowles* - his 11<sup>th</sup> season with the Caps! And a former World No. 1 doubles player

*Dusan Vemic* - his 2<sup>nd</sup> year, entertaining to watch, a Serbian pro ranked as high as No. 31 in doubles in his career

*Vania King* - her 2<sup>nd</sup> year, a 22 year old Southern California native who won both the Wimbledon Women's Doubles and the US Open Women's Doubles in 2010

*Yasmin Schnack* - raised in Sacramento, competed at UCLA and at 21 years old, is new to the tour

**Use my name "Rhyme" to get a 10% discount off your ticket price**

**Insert "Rhyme" in the coupon box when purchasing online @**

<http://www.saccaps.com>

**Mention Rhyme when you purchase Tickets by phone 916.488.5000 or in person at the new Caps office at Sunrise Mall, just inside the Mall entrance closest to the Elephant Bar Restaurant.**

If you have any questions or need help...call Linda @ 916 705-1939 or email

[lin@surewest.net](mailto:lin@surewest.net)

**Come out and make some noise! Let's Go Caps!**

## **JUNE SUMMER SOCIAL – June 11th**

Hosted by Toni Anderson and Foster Pelton



Four reserved "absent" club players gave Toni and Foster a challenge at the beginning of the social. However, with some creative recalculating by Foster, everyone was on the courts by 9:15 a.m. for the first round of play.

Mary Holmes and Mike Pruss were the big winners, and they both won "Big Bubba" drinking coolers.

Rena Nikaido and Ruth Duncan came down for the social part. It was great to have Dar King and Molly Lewis play in the social.

It was nice to see everyone.

Toni and Foster

## Join us at International Celebration Tennis Social!

**Saturday, July 23 at 10:00a.m. at Miller Park**  
**Host and Hostess – Janusz Seremak and Luda Hedger**

Please bring one ethnic dish of your choice and \$2.00.

We will provide fun, additional food, drinks, balls...

Please reserve by email to Luda Hedger: [ludahedger@att.net](mailto:ludahedger@att.net) or call 239-8037.

First 16 members will have priority to play. Welcome to bring guests...

Let the fun begin!!!



### FALL SATA Coordinators need to hear from you.....

Monday, July 25, 2011 – On Line Registration begins

Your coordinators will submit the teams, note captains and regular players

Substitutes may be added prior to any match

*Assuming the Fall Leagues will be the same as last Spring contact the following coordinators*

Ladies Saturday Coordinator – Crystal Goodwin Ph #988-8406

Ladies Weekday Regular Coordinator – Shiomi Wilson Ph #944-4971

Ladies Weekday Doubles Coordinator – Shiomi Wilson Ph #944-4971

Ladies Evening Coordinator – Clairen Peeters – Ph #987-5290

Ladies 50+ Doubles Coordinator – Shiomi Wilson Ph #944-4971

Mix Doubles Coordinator – Mike Mote Ph #722-1461

Men's 3.5 Sunday Reg Coordinator – Jim Wright Ph #224-0840

Men's 7.0, 7.5, 8.0 or two 7.0 Weekday Evening Dbls Coordinator – Jim Wright Ph #224-0840

Men's 50+ (Sat morning) and 60+ (Wed morning) Dbls Coordinator – either Larry Leach Ph #786-7790 or Jim Wright ph #224-0840

## Paul Garron – Tennis Pro – Tennis Tip for July



### TENNIS TIP – Return of Serve

The return of serve is as important as the serve itself. Since it's the shot that starts the point out when receiving, it is critical that we are successful at it. Having a high percentage on the return of serve will pay big dividends.

Some key points for this shot include the split step, quick turn of the front shoulder, compact backswing and early contact with the ball. A very common mistake on the return is that the backswing is bigger than necessary and the ball is caught late. The harder the serve, the shorter the backswing. Players must stay alert and move their feet to be able to hit the ball in the strike zone.

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## TID BITS....

Please update your Roster with a new email address for Chris Cartano:  
Email: [ccartano@gmail.com](mailto:ccartano@gmail.com)

We have two NEW MEMBERS – Please Welcome Peter and Silvia  
to the Club

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*Silvia is interested in playing 3.5 singles and doubles.*

**Note from Bonnie Kerfoot – keeper of some Club's equipment**  
**She has in her garage several chairs, watering hose and one squeegee – just**  
**give her call if you need them at 308-0102 or her mother, Norma at 961-9025.**  
**Bonnie lives very close to the courts.**

# STAFF REPORT

**Meeting Date:** June 15, 2011

**To:** Fair Oaks Recreation Foundation Board of Directors

**From:** Maureen Zamarripa – District Administrator

**Subject:** Discussion and Possible Action of The Fair Oaks Racquet Club Utilizing The Fair Oaks Recreation Foundation Account

**Prepared By:** Nick Davison – Recreation Coordinator



## **I. Recommendation**

Approve the Fair Oaks Racquet Club (FORC) application for use of the Fair Oaks Recreation Foundation for fundraising efforts for a duration of two (2) years to improve and update the tennis courts at Miller Park.

## **II. Background**

In 2012 the Fair Oaks Racquet Club will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as club. In honor of reaching this 50-year milestone the FORC plans to operate a fundraising campaign to improve the tennis facility at Miller Park for future generations.

In January 2011 the Fair Oaks Racquet Club approached the District about fundraising and grant opportunities to improve the tennis courts at Miller Park, which they utilize on a regular basis for league play.

As noted in the Fair Oaks Recreation Foundation Grant Application (Attachment A) submitted in May of 2011 by club President Clairen Peeters FORC plans to raise money via grants and different fundraising efforts over the next two (2) years to offset the cost of the improvements to the facility.

### III. **Problem /Situation/ Request**

The tennis facility at Miller Park needs updates because the current condition of the facility is beginning to show deterioration.

The goals of the fundraising are as follows:

- Replace windscreens on all eight (8) courts
  - Current windscreens are weathered, ripped or have fallen down.
- Purchase a free standing equipment storage box/room.
  - Currently there is not a storage box/room in which the club or tennis instructors can store equipment. A storage unit would alleviate the club members or instructors from having to haul equipment back and forth from their homes.
- Resurface the courts.
  - The current surface of the courts was last completed in 2002 and the courts are beginning to show deterioration. In 2012 FORC plans to apply for a grant to assist in the cost of resurfacing the courts.

### IV. **Financial Analysis**

If the Fair Oaks Racquet Club is able use the Fair Oaks Recreation Foundation for deposit and as a holding account for donations, the Recreation staff has agreed to aid them in applying for a United States Tennis Association (USTA) grant. USTA offers different categories of grants depending on the project size and amount. The FORC plans to start with a "category 1" grant which is up to \$4,000. Exhibit A depicts the different categories of available funding. USTA does require that the funds of the grant be matched, which FORC plans to do via fundraising efforts.

(Exhibit A)

<b>Funding Category</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>USTA National Contribution</b>
<b><u>Line Grants</u></b>	Painting permanent 36' and 60' tennis lines on existing courts, paved areas, blacktops, playgrounds or gymnasiums and/or converting an existing 78' court to permanent 36' courts.	Up to \$4,000, must be matched dollar for dollar.
<b>Category I</b>	For basic facility improvements, including fixed court amenities (i.e. backboards, fencing, windscreens, etc.)	Up to \$4,000, must be matched dollar for dollar.

<b>Category II</b>	Resurfacing of existing courts.	Up to 20% of total project cost (\$35,000 maximum).
<b>Category III</b>	New construction or existing facility reconstruction and expansion.	Up to 20% of total project cost (\$50,000 maximum).

The Fair Oaks Racquet Club has outlined a preliminary fundraising plan for the next two (2) years that is believed to be achievable. The following is their preliminary plan:

**2011 Fundraising Activities**

	<b>Estimate</b>
1.) Donations from current and former FORC members.	\$4,000
2.) Fundraising dinners at local restaurants (3 in 2011)	\$1,000
3.) Sales of T-shirts, hats, and other FORC logo items	\$500
4.) Dinner Dance and Raffle (October 2011)	\$2,000
5.) Chicken Festival Booth (selling baked goods)	\$500
6.) Corporate Donations	\$2,000
7.) USTA Category 1 Grant for windscreens	<u>\$4,000</u>
<b>Total Fundraising efforts (2011) =</b>	<b>\$13,000</b>

**2012 Tentative Fundraising Activities**

	<b>Estimate</b>
1.) Past President's Reception	\$4,000
2.) USTA Category 2 Grant for resurfacing	<u>\$35,000</u>
<b>Total Fundraising efforts (2012) =</b>	<b>\$39,000</b>

**Total Fundraising efforts (2011-2012) = 52,000**

FORC has received bids on both the windscreens and the resurfacing of the courts. The following are the project costs:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Windscreens	\$10,000
Resurfacing of the courts	<u>\$37,000</u>
<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$47,000</b>

The Fair Oaks Racquet Club is not asking for the Park District to contribute any money, just simply requesting the use of the Fair Oaks Recreation Foundation as a depository for donations.

