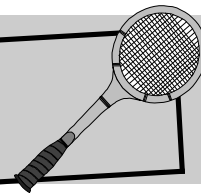




# The Racquet



December 2011

Tennis Club of  
Albuquerque

## Candidates for the Board of Directors

The candidates for the 2012 election have not been finalized at this time. To assist our election process, a short profile of each will be printed in the January Racquet. In addition, a photo of each candidate will be posted at the Club. Potential candidates other than those selected by the Nominating Committee must be submitted as outlined in Article IV, Section 2 of the By-Laws. It states a nominee must be endorsed by 15 regular members and the name submitted to the Club Secretary, Dee Burton, a minimum of 15 days before the date of the election, January 18, 2012.

### St Nicholas Day

Sinterklaas is coming to TCA Sunday, Dec 11, from 4 to 6 pm. Children under 7 yrs are welcome with their parents. Call Marianne Chiffelle at 256-1857 for more information, or call Cathie for details 262-1691. The cost is \$5 & bring a gift for your child.

### Christmas Holiday

#### Happy Hour at

#### TCA

Wednesday DEC 14 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Bring your favorite Wines or Beers; TCA provides Cheeses and Snacks. Please sign up by Monday, DEC 12 if you can attend.



## USTA League Restructuring for 2013 National

USTA League is changing its structure and format for the 2013 National Championships, which affects many League seasons in 2012. Gone are the monikers "Senior" (50 & over) and "Super Senior" (60 & over), replaced instead by a more representative grouping based on age.

Under the new structure, the USTA League National Championships will fall under just two divisions—Adult and Mixed. The Adult Division will be broken down into 18 & over, 40 & over, and 55 & over with a potential 65 or 70 & over league type considered for the future. The 18 & over and the 40 & over will feature both singles and doubles, while the 55 & over will be solely doubles. The Mixed Division will be 18 & over, which is the same as the previous format, with the potential to add a 40 & over league type in the future. As they had previously, players will continue to compete by NTRP rating within each division.

### **Why did the USTA make this change?**

The decision to change the structure was made to better distribute USTA League participants among the three age categories—previously, the vast majority of USTA League participants fell in the "Adult" category (18 & over), with far fewer in the "Senior" (50 & over) and "Super Senior" (60 & over) categories—and to better align participants with players their own age.

### **Roster 2012 Update**

This is the last chance to notify the Club office if you have moved, have a new phone number, new email, etc. before the 2012 Club Roster is printed. Please call Cathie or Monica with your updates no later than Friday, Dec 16. We want the new Roster to reflect the most up-to-date information. Thanks.

### **New Arrival at TCA**

*Georgia Susan*



*To Proud  
Parents: Emily &  
Patrick Griebel*

## OCHO'S TENNIS SHORTS

### LOBO JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

Girls 12 Singles - Maddie Chavez - Winner

Girls 14 Doubles - Megan McMillan  
Lindsey McMillan - Finalist

Girls 12 Doubles - Abbie Nielsen  
Maddie Chavez - Finalist



### THANK YOU TCA Members

*THANK YOU so much  
for all your support. It  
was a super year! We  
wish all of you a GREAT  
HOLIDAY SEASON!*

**From the Teaching  
Staff -**

**Joey Gorence, Nick  
Salazar and Och**

## WINTER PROGRAM

### *TCA Junior Development*

The Fall Junior Development program will continue. This program will be held Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday in one month sessions. Each session includes drilling, conditioning, match play and strategy work. You will be billed for the number of times you come in the month.

Classes will be:

Tuesday & Thursday - 4:00-5:30 pm

(Match play to follow)

Saturday Instruction: 2:00-3:30 pm

(Match play to follow)

### **Young Future Stars**

#### **\*Saturday Group 6-12 Year Olds**

This program will be held on Saturday for a 5-week session, one hour per week, \$45 member; \$50 non-member. Next starting date will be

Saturday, January 7.

#### **Beginners**

Saturday: 11:00 am– Noon

#### **Intermediate**

Saturday: Noon - 1:00 pm

**Class size is limited  
to 8, so reserve  
your slot now!**

### **Young Future Stars**

#### **\*Wednesday Group 6-12 Year Olds**

This program will be held in addition to the Saturday class. This program will be held on Wednesdays for a 5-week session, one hour per week, \$45 member; \$50 non-member. Next starting date will be November 30.

#### **Beginner/ Adv. Beginner**

Wednesday: 2:30-3:30 pm

#### **Intermediate**

Wednesday: 4:00-5:00 pm

## *Dates To Remember:*

- \* Dec. 11 - St. Nicholas at TCA 4pm
- \* Dec. 14 - TCA Holiday Party  
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
- \* Dec. 25 - Christmas (Club Closed)
- \* Jan. 1 - New Year's Day (Closed)
- \* Jan. 18 - Annual Meeting
- \* Jan. 28 & 29 - TCA Singles Tournament

## **CHECK OUT THE HIT LIST**

The newly updated Hit Lists or Sub Lists are in the Lobby. There are 11 names on the Singles List and 12 names on the Doubles List. These lists show the availabilities and rankings of the club members looking for more tennis matches. Members are welcome to add their names to these lists at anytime; email or call us at 262-1691 if you need help signing up.

## **Bridge Players**

Let us know if you are interested in afternoon party bridge at TCA.  
Call 262-1691

## **LADDER NEWS**

The two weeks from December 19 – January 1 will be treated as one week to play **one** match.

**WEEK 9: DEC 19 - JAN 1**  
**EVEN Challenge Week!**

## **Board of Directors**

Patrick Bridges	President
Britt Harville	Vice President
Dee Burton	Secretary
Bill Thompson	Treasurer
Angie Casias	
Marianne Chiffelle	
Barry Easter	
Teri McMillan	

## **From the TCA Staff**

*Happy Holidays!*

*Have a very safe and  
happy holiday season!*

**Cathie, Monica, Roger, Amalia, Justus**

## **Attention Ladder Players!!!**

The club will be following the TCA Rules when it comes to priority of play on doubles courts. Playing a ladder match on a doubles court will subject you to possibly being bumped by a doubles match. Weekend afternoons are less crowded than weekend mornings. Thanks for your understanding.