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Upcoming Events

From Brooklyn to the Hall of Fame Screening
June 2!

June Tournament
Saturday and Sunday, June 10-11!

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President's Message

By Patsy Duke

A simple question was put to the membership in a recent email: "Would you like to play on a Mountain View Tennis Club team in interclub competition?" A surprisingly large number – almost 60 people – expressed interest. Clearly, this is an activity that the Board intends to implement and expand beyond the initial two teams we had hoped to identify for the captains who had volunteered. New member Levan Gray has already begun arranging women's doubles matches with three other clubs. Look for more details on more Interclub activities in future Court Reports and emails.

After seeing excerpts from Venkat Narayanan's movie at our March General Meeting, many members wanted a showing of the complete work. On June 2, we will present "From Brooklyn to the Hall of Fame" at the Rengstorff Community Center complete with a social hour and refreshments, starting at 6:30. Please RSVP to social@mvtc.net.

Once again, the competition for Grand Prix points is heating up early with some familiar names (Howard Giles, Kirby Drumm, Lori Spray) and some eager new players (Bernie Paragas, Paul Chen, Kumar Viswanath, Jamie Cassidy) leading the pack. With more than half the season to go, there are a lot of points yet to be awarded. But you've gotta play to win! And you don't have to be the best player in the club; just sign up for every event and keep adding to your points. Of course, it does help to win a lot of matches!

I hope you all enjoyed watching the Mountain View Open at Cuesta and the NCAA competition at Stanford. What fun to have such great tennis in our own area. Now that you are all inspired, be sure to sign up for the June Men's Doubles/Women's Singles tournament.

See you on the courts.

"From Brooklyn to the Hall of Fame" Screening

Join Venkat Narayanan for an MVTC-sponsored screening of From Brooklyn to the Hall of Fame," a story about local tennis coach Don Johnson.

Johnson has been coaching children for over 30 years. He was inducted into the USTA Northern California Tennis Hall of Fame in July 2004.

Date	June 2
Time	6:30 p.m. - drinks and snacks 7:30 p.m. - screening 8:15 p.m. - Q&A and discussion
Location	Community Center, Rengstorff Ave.
Cost	FREE



A Graphic by Venkat

May Tournament– Great Weather, Great Tennis

By Liz Chambers

Great weather and great tennis were the standouts of the May tournament. Although we lost some players to USTA district matches, we had 65 entrants for this tournament.

Men's Division I

Especially noteworthy, was the number of 4.0 men competing in Division I, causing us to have a 32 person draw and up to 5 matches for some players... Yikes !!



Division I Winner– Paul Chen

We had some really thrilling matches to watch and in the end it came down to a three-set battle for the title between Paul Chen and Howard Giles. Howard won the first set in a tiebreaker, Paul came back to win the second set 7-5 and outlasted a tired Howard in the third set 6-2.



Division I Runner up– Howard Giles

On the consolation side, two of our newer members, Jason Grissom and Sid Mathai faced off, with Sid victorious 7-5, 6-1.

Men's Division II

In Division II, USTA doubles partners Bernie Paragas and Kirby Drumm made their way through some tough matches to face each other in the final. (Was that their secret plan ...will they still be doubles partners?)

As in Division I, this battle turned into a three-set marathon with Bernie taking the win, 6-1, 5-7, 6-3.



Division II Finalists– Bernie Paragas & Kirby Drumm

In the consolation round, Carl Takahara, who was ousted by Kirby in the first round defeated first-time Division II player, Nuwan Jayasena, 6-2, 6-0 .

Women's Division I

On the ladies' side, for the first time in quite a while, we had a full complement of eight pairs in Division I. Sandy Walrose and Jamie Cassidy snuck in unseeded and proceeded to show us some great tennis.

After taking care of "friends" Maria Lange and Jana Cushman in the semifinal, they proceeded to take care of #1 seeds Carol Overby and Lori Spray in the final. This was another great three-set final.

Sandy and Jamie won the first set 6-2, Carol and Lori battled back to win the second set 6-0. Then Sandy and Jamie turned on the heat in the third set winning 6-2.

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June Tournament – Women’s Singles/Men’s Doubles

By Liz Chambers

Date	June 10-11
Location	Rengstorff Tennis Courts
Entry Fee	\$10 for members, \$15 for non-members
Entry Deadline	June 3 at 12 noon
Participants	Women’s singles: MVTC members and Mountain View residents Men’s doubles: MVTC Members and Guests
Tournament Director	TBA
Food Director	TB A

Enter online at <http://mvtc.net> or by filling out a blue entry card at Cuesta Tennis Center (685 Cuesta Dr.) by noon Saturday, April 29. If you forget to stamp your card, you just “volunteered” to bring a salad or dessert! Give it to the attendant to be placed into the “tournament entry box.” The card will be mailed back to you with your start time.

REMINDER: Please do not mail your entry. We do not pick up entries at the post office. We post the draw sheets at Cuesta and Rengstorff, this is a good place to see the draw and view your start time, teammates, and opponents!

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Division I Finalists– Jamie, Sandy, Carol & Lori

On the consolation side Fran Fuller and Leslie Pruett defeated mother and daughter team Gail Broderick and Angelyn Regala 6-1, 6-2.

Women’s Division II

In ladies’ Division II ladies, # 1seeds Pat Frishman and Beth Watt lived up to their seeding and defeated Connie Gannon and Debbie Ryan 6-1, 6- 4 to take the title.

Carol Kaplan and Wendy Lockhart defeated Sheila Mc Mahon and Julie Satake-Ryu in a close 7-5, 6-4 battle for the consolation title.



Division II Finalists– Pat, Beth, Connie, Debbie

Special thanks to Jeffrey Ballou and Mike Siew for their work as first time tournament directors, they did a great job.

A big “GRACIAS” to Patsy Duke and chief cook Bob Schlotfeldt for the great BBQ and Mexican food that kept everyone in a happy Cinco (really Seis) de Mayo mood. Special thanks to Julie Satake-Ryu for a super salad and to Kathy Wheeler, Jay Wickware, and Jonah Harley for yummy desserts.

See you on the courts June10th for the next tournament: Women’s Singles, Men’s Doubles, entries due Jun 3.

July Tournament – Mixed Doubles (Members Only)

By Liz Chambers

Date	July 15-16
Location	Rengstorff Tennis Courts
Entry Fee	\$10 for members
Entry Deadline	July 8 at 12 noon
Participants	MVTC members
Tournament Director	TBA
Food Director	TBA

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Grand Prix Standings

The race is on for the grand prix champion. And just like the weather, the race is already heating up.

Here are the top 12 people in the grand prix to date. At 13th place is a slew of people with 75 points.

2006 Grand Prix Points		Team Tennis	Mixed Doubles	MS/WD
TOTAL		March	April	May
1.	Paragas, Bernie	50	100	100
2.	Giles, Howard		100	100
3.	Drumm, Kirby	50	40	75
4.	Chen, Paul		20	125
5.	Spray, Lori		75	50
6.	Harley, Jonah		75	25
7.	Hayes, Suzie		100	
8.	Nguyen, Dean		25	75
9.	Sanborn, Sue		100	
10.	Viswanath, Kumar		50	50
11.	Overby, Carol		40	50
12.	Takahara, Carl	50		40

How do you get Grand Prix points? Simple: Play tournaments and do well! Here is the Grand Prix point key:

2006 GRAND PRIX POINT SCALE			
Draw Size	8	16	32
Winner	75	100	125
Finalist	50	75	100
Semi-Finalist	25	50	75
Qtr-Finalist	0	25	50
Round of 16	0	0	25
Consolation Winner	30	40	50
Cons. Runner Up	15	20	25
Win Team Member	50		

Upcoming USTA Tournaments

There are a few USTA tournaments in our area in June and July:

USTA Norcal NTRP Spring Training
Fremont Tennis Center & Santa Clara University
 June 16-18 & June 23-25, 2006
 Entries close June 7, 2006

Peninsula Challenge Cup NTRP
Foster City Tennis Club
 June 23-25, 2006
 Entries close June 12, 2006

Santa Cruz Tennis Academy NTRP
Cabrillo College
 June 30-July 2, 2006
 Entries close June 7, 2006

Napa Valley Wine Classic
Napa Valley Tennis Association
 July 1-3, 2006
 Entries close June 19, 2006

For more information, visit <http://tournaments.usta.com>.

Want to Play Tennis?

Umbrella Tennis

Join fellow MVTC members on Fridays from 6-8 p.m. at Cuesta for Umbrella Tennis.

Umbrella tennis lasts from April through September. Generally, courts 5 & 6, 9 & 10, or 11 & 12 are reserved.

This is a free MVTC event!

The rules: first-come, first-served. At least one court is mixed doubles. Each foursome plays one no-ad set, then everyone moves around, giving preference to those who have been sitting out.

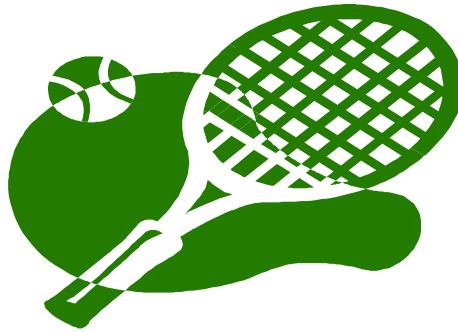
Come out and meet other club members and play some free tennis!

Interclub Tennis

INTERESTED IN INTERCLUB?

MVTC is planning to revive our involvement in interclub play with nearby clubs.

If you are interested in participating, email president@mvtc.net.



June Tournament

The MVTC June tournament takes place from June 10-11. This month, it's women's singles and men's doubles. Men's doubles is member/guest.

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Membership Report

By Greg Schwartz

Hello MVTC!

Things are heating up all around, with nice sunny days, great action on the courts, and great membership numbers!

Our current membership is 293, comprised of 151 MV residents and 142 non-residents. That means we are not running a waiting list for non-resident membership at the moment. We have 172 men, 121 women.

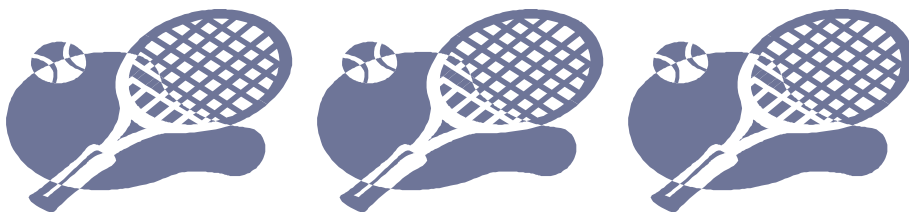
56 of our members (19%) are brand new to MVTC! That means there

are plenty of new people to meet and challenge to a friendly match!

Curious how our membership is split by rating (self-reported)?

Level	# of Members
2.5	11
3.0	72
3.5	104
4.0	83
4.5	10
5.0	2
(11 unknown)	

Have fun out there!



S.D.L. Update

By Karl Mellon

Here are the current Social Doubles Ladder 2006 standings:

SDL POINTS

▪ Kumar	75
▪ Greg	66
▪ Karl	66
▪ Bryan	64
▪ Mike	60
▪ Sandy	58
▪ Joan	53
▪ Rosa	52
▪ Mary Jane	51
▪ Judy	49
▪ Don	48
▪ Dianne	48
▪ Amba	46
▪ Sayuri	45
▪ Pat	45
▪ Lisa	43

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